



Sharing Christ With The Whole World



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Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Baptists sincerely desire to share Christ with all the people of the world. But a moment's contemplation will underscore how tremendous and far-reaching the ambition is as well as how far from the goal we really are.

The Bible gives us our marching orders. The Great Commission is clear and explicit. If we fail to be missionary we fail to follow the command of our Lord. Missions began in the heart of God. We must, therefore, continue to do more personal soul winning and give so that other

God-called people may go and witness where we can never serve personally.

In a study of the thinking of man it is interesting to note that in our earliest history man was interested in the universe. Astronomy was one of mankind's earliest studies. Only gradually did mankind come to study man himself.

From the standpoint of world missions it is important to be concerned with faraway places as well as nearby places. The people everywhere are important because they are God's creatures. Every human being is loved by Almighty God and therefore becomes the immediate concern of

every person who recognizes the Fatherhood of God.

Baptists through these years have worked through a plan known as the Cooperative Program. Rather than giving haphazardly and in an inequitable fashion we seek to study the needs of all of our work and then divide the money given by our people equitably and fairly to meet as many of the needs as possible. In a nutshell this is the way the Cooperative Program works.

With its obvious imperfections the Cooperative Program is still the best way whereby we can undergird our State Mission, Home Mission and Foreign Mission Work.

State Missions includes Sunday School, Training Union, W.M.U. and Brotherhood promotion to all the churches; a great ministry to Baptist Students in our colleges; a Music ministry to all our churches; our Cooperative Missions work (associational missions, Mexican, Chinese, Indian, Deaf, Church Surveys, Church Development Program and Ministerial In-Service Training); Negro work.

Our Home Mission work includes all the work we are doing in the nation to win America to Christ. This is a widely diversified program in institutions and through missionaries to the various language speaking

group across the nation. Evangelism runs like a scarlet thread through it all.

Foreign Missions involves all types of mission work done by Southern Baptists in all of the countries where we send our missionaries. The last count indicates we are working in 60 countries. Teaching, preaching, hospital care, child care, agricultural work are some of our overseas ministries.

We need to strengthen the giving of our people and our churches through the Cooperative Program so that we may more effectively answer Christ's Great Commission.

South Carolina Asks Two-Year Aid Study

By John E. Roberts

COLUMBIA, S. C. (BP) — The General Board of the South Carolina Baptist Convention has sharply criticized trustees of Furman University for seeking federal aid to help construct a science building.

The board, however, told the university to keep the \$611,898 grant accepted last June.

In a 28-21 vote, general board members excluded the grant in questions from a two-year moratorium being proposed, during which no federal grants for construction could be accepted by any South Carolina Baptist Convention agency.

With the two-year holdoff is a companion recommendation that a special committee of 17 study the matter of federal grants and other tax monies, as they would apply to Baptist institutions.

The committee will have nine laymen and eight pastors, nominated by the convention's committee on com-

mittees.

The general board's proposed moratorium and formation of a study committee are subject to final approval of the convention itself before being effective. The convention meets in mid-November in Greenville, home of Furman University.

The study committee, if created, would work in cooperation with a Southern Baptist Convention education study task under way.

The action of the general board on the Furman Grant, the two-year period of taking no grants and the special study came at the suggestion of the board's executive committee. The executive committee offered the board a seven-point recommendation.

The criticism of Furman's trustees came in the opening sentence of the executive committee report. It said: "It is our feeling that the trustees of Furman University have not acted in conformity with Article IX of the Constitution of the South Carolina Baptist Convention and the historic principle of a separation of church and state as we understand it."

Article IX states in part: "No funds, gifts or allowances that infringe upon the historic principle of separation of church and state shall be accepted by the convention, the general board, or any institutions or agencies of the convention. In any debatable instance that may occur, the general board shall interpret this statement subject to the approval of the convention."

Special Session
Two weeks before its action, the general board held a special session at the request of a group of Baptists in the state who wanted to discuss federal aid as it affected state Baptist institutions.

Cort R. Flint, Anderson, S. C., pastor, and spokesman (Continued on page 3)

SPRINGFIELD IS STANDARD FOR 36th YEAR

The Sunday school of Springfield Church, Route 1, Morton, has received Standard recognition for the past thirty-six consecutive years.

The first Standard Award was received in 1929 under the leadership of Moody Purvis as Sunday school superintendent and Rev. G. S. Jenkins as pastor. Mr. Purvis led the Sunday school for fifteen years. Others who have served as superintendent are: Woodrow Rushing, the late J. B. Winstead, Fred Moore, the late J. W. Winstead, M. H. Beard, Jr., Leon McEwen, and Malcolm Cooper.

Others who served the church as pastor during this period are: Rev. W. L. Meadows, Rev. C. O. Estes, Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Rev. Ray Dykes, Rev. G. W. Smith, Dr. Eugene Farr, Rev. Grady Smith, Rev. S. W. Mahaffey, Rev. F. V. McFatridge, Rev. Taylor Wallace, Rev. Billy Johnson, and Rev. James Griffith, the present pastor. (See page two for pictures.)

Graham Houston Crusade Delayed

HOUSTON (BP) — For the second time, Evangelist Billy Graham has been forced to postpone his Houston evangelistic crusade because of surgery recovery.

The Houston Crusade, first scheduled Oct. 8-17 and later delayed until Oct. 15-24, is now scheduled Nov. 19-28 in Houston's astrodom.

Physicians for the ailing Baptist evangelist said he was recovering normally a prostrate operation, but would not be well enough to conduct the strenuous 10-day crusade.

Graham underwent surgery on Sept. 9 for removal of stones in his prostrate gland. Following several days of hemorrhaging, he had to return to the operating table to have the blood vessel cauterized.

Graham's physician, Dr. J. Desmond Coughlin of Asheville, N. C., said it would be mid-November before Graham would be able to resume a regular schedule.

Reports From Rome--

By W. Barry Garrett

VATICAN CITY (BP)—Pope Paul VI's speech to the United Nations in New York and other events related to Vatican Council II herald a new era of international diplomacy and participation in world affairs by the papacy and the Roman Catholic Church.

Regardless of one's reaction to these developments, neither the nations of the earth nor the other religious groups of the world can ignore or remain unaffected by this new day in Roman Catholicism. These are facts with which the world must live during the next century.

CHURCH-STATE—Baptists Study Issues

WASHINGTON (BP) — Approximately 250 Baptists from the United States and Canada gathered here for a three-day discussion and study of current church-state issues and problems.

Baptist executives, educators, pastors and laymen met at the ninth annual Religious Liberty Conference sponsored by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. The theme for the conference was "Church, State and Public Funds." C. Emanuel Carlson is executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee.



October Emphasis Is Cooperative Program

October is Cooperative Program month among Mississippi Baptists as they seek to reach the current convention year's budget of \$2,998,000

and make definite plans to go over the top for next year's proposed budget goal of \$3,240,000.

The current convention year will end Oct. 31 but the Convention Board books will be held open through Wednesday morning, Nov. 3.

Any Cooperative Program funds reaching the State Convention Board office by that morning will be credited on this year's budget and will be listed in the annual report carried in the Baptist Record in November.

All churches having funds for the Cooperative Program for this convention year have been urged by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, and Rev. John D. Alexander, stewardship secretary, to get them in by Nov. 3.

Several articles emphasizing the Cooperative Program are being carried in this week's issue, with special emphasis on churches increasing their Cooperative contribu-

tions for the convention year 1965-66.

The proposed Cooperative Program budget goal of \$3,240,000 for the coming year is an increase of \$242,000 over the goal of \$2,998,000 for the current year.

This budget has been approved by the Convention Board and will be presented to the State Convention for its consideration in November.

Two principal articles appear this week on page one, (Continued on page 2)

VATICAN COUNCIL II BACKS SCHOOL AID

VATICAN CITY (RNS) — The Second Vatican Council voted overwhelmingly at its 148th general congregation to include in its revised schema on Christian Education a declaration upholding the right of parochial schools to government aid and another stressing that education was the joint responsibility of parents, church and government.

Inclusion of these provisions had been urged at the Council's third session last year by a group of American prelates led by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York.

The Council voted 2,020 to 85 in upholding the right of parochial schools to state aid. On the provision concerning the responsibilities in education shared by parents, church and state, the vote was 2,007 to 111.

Another provision stressing that parents have a right to choose to send their children to parochial schools without suffering economic hardship was approved by a vote of 2,000 to 83.

Steps Outlined For Advance

By John Alexander
Stewardship Secretary

In November the Mississippi Baptist Convention will be asked to approve a record \$3,240,000 Cooperative Program budget goal. This budget goal is reasonable and attainable.

In the light of urgent state and world needs, how can we afford to attempt less?

One of the great temptations of our day is to live at the minimum when the times call for maximum Christian living and giving.

This budget goal is a challenge. Many of us have worked, longed, and prayed for the day when Mississippi Baptist would give 3 million dollars through the Cooperative Program. This is our opportunity.

Can Mississippi Baptists give 3 million dollars to missions? Yes, and more!

These steps to missions advance have proven effective in hundreds of our churches.

First, set aside a month in the church calendar to use the Forward Program, or for the smaller church, Growth in Christian Stewardship. Adopt a challenging budget goal. Every church we know about that has used either of these budget programs has increased their income. Throughout the year the church may use suggestions in the Tithes. Now planning kit to enlist tithers.

Second, put missions giving through the Cooperative Program on a percentage basis. If giving is up, mission support is up. When God blesses your church with increased finances, missions share in that blessing. Instruct the

church treasurer to write the first check each month to missions through the Cooperative Program. Put God to the test. In Malachi, chapter 3, He invites you to prove Him.

Third, increase the percentage going to missions through the Cooperative Program each year. One or two percent advance each year will soon make a notable difference in what your church is doing for missions.

Does it work? A pastor writes: "Last year we pegged our missions giving at \$8000.00 through the Cooperative Program. This year we put the Cooperative Program item on a percentage basis. We used the Forward Program and already this year we have given over \$9000.00 through the Cooperative Program. This is a (Continued On Page 2)

Cuban Release Premature

ATLANTA (BP)—A Baptist missions official here called "premature" radio reports that the Cuban government would release imprisoned missionaries as part of the relaxation of restrictions against emigration.

The radio report, which originated in Havana and was monitored in the United States, indicated political prisoners would be released to enter the United States.

Two missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention, Herbert Caudill and David Fite, were arrested April 8 and sentenced to 10 and six year prison terms.

Lloyd Corder of Atlanta, secretary of the language missions department of the Home Mission Board of the SBC and Director of Cuban Missions, said he had talked with the U. S. State Department.

Corder said the U. S. Government had asked the Cuban government to release the political prisoners as part of the agreement, but so far nothing had been worked out.

He thought these reports were overly optimistic and the result of speculations.

Georgia Commission Against Tax Aid

ATLANTA (BP)—A recommendation that Georgia Baptist Convention institutions not accept grants from the federal government, but instead increase Cooperative Program gifts from the churches by a substantial amount, has been presented by the convention's education commission.

The Education Commission's statement did not mention federal loans. The rec-

ommendation goes to the executive committee, which will then make its recommendation to the convention, which meets in Augusta, Nov. 15-17.

The wording of the key recommendation in the Education commission report reads: "It appears to the education commission that it is not wise in view of prevailing opinion for the Georgia Baptist (Continued on Page 2)

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PAUL STEVENS:

Pioneer In Radio-Television

By Robert T. Belton

Paul M. Stevens, director of the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention for the past 12 years, is a man with a mission.

"In these days of rapid technical change, no denomination can ignore the challenge of mass communications," he said. "It is the purpose of the Radio and Television Commission to lead the Southern Baptist Convention on the growing edge of this change."

"We have a staff of 80 skilled professionals who operate the commission in behalf of the Southern Baptist Convention and the kingdom of God," said Dr. Stevens. "We reach 42 countries weekly in 12 languages. We have 22 different program formats on more than 2,000 outlets in radio alone."

Television is more sophisticated and more limited in outlets and funds. However,



Paul M. Stevens

the television program, "Answer Series," prepared by the commission, is ranked by many as the number one Protestant television program in America.

Attempting to keep ahead of the times, Dr. Stevens insisted that every TV film prepared by the commission be in color.

"I had to fight hard to get this when we started in 1964," he said. "But now over three million dollars of free time has been made available to the convention because of the approximately \$300,000 extra we spent to make the films in color."

Was Pastor

When Dr. Stevens was first offered the position as director of the commission in 1963, he refused. At that time he was pastor of the Baptist church in Ada, Oklahoma.

"It was a happy situation," he said. "For five years we baptized an average of 200 people a year. Eighteen young people volunteered for mission work and are in foreign service today. We had 220 members of the Men's Brotherhood organization. Ours was the first church in the Southern Baptist Convention to give 50 per cent of its total income to the Cooperative Program."

"I did not want to leave. However, as I was driving back to Ada after meeting with the committee, I received a call from God which was unmistakable. After arriving home, I phoned the men and told them I would accept."

In those days, the very existence of the commission was threatened, explained Dr. Stevens. An editorial appeared in The Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly, suggesting that the Radio Commission (as it was called then) be abolished and the work absorbed by the Home Mission Board.

The commission had six employees and produced one program, "The Baptist Hour," along with some sermon transcriptions. The budget was \$100,000 a year.

"However," he said "it was evident to a small group of people that God had a plan for mass communication in his overall mission strategy. I for one felt it very keenly."

Dr. Stevens was hindered from doing foreign mission work in the usual way because when he volunteered in 1946 he was told that he was too old. "The thought that I was unusable at 31 years of age broke my heart," he said.

"The opportunity to do missionary work motivated me to take the job with the commission. It was the only thing that could have taken me out of the pastorate."

Converted at MC Paul Stevens was born in Dalton, Ohio in 1915. He was

converted in 1935 while a student in Mississippi College. Transferring to Baylor University, he graduated in 1938. As a student he served as educational director in several Texas churches, and on April 12, 1941 was ordained to the Christian Ministry by the First Baptist Church of Denton, Texas.

"I immediately enrolled in Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, where I carried a full load of studies and served as educational director at Crescent Hill Baptist Church."

He did not finish his course at Southern, however. Enlisting in the Air Force as a chaplain, he rose to the office of administrative assistant to the Air Force Chief of Chaplains at the Pentagon in Washington. "There I learned administrative skills," he said, "which I now use in the Radio and Television Commission."

Within a year he became an assistant director of the chaplaincy program in continental United States.

Combat Missions

He requested a combat assignment, however, and was assigned to the 450th Bomber Group. Although it was against regulations for a chaplain to fly combat missions, Dr. Stevens found that it was necessary for him to share this experience with his men.

"In those early days we were suffering many casualties and morale was running low. It was my job to try to encourage my men. But they would look at me and say, 'It's all right for you to talk, Chaplain, you aren't up there facing the flak.' I felt I had to go if I was to have any influence with them. And I tell you, when I was up there with the flak and enemy fighters coming at us I was scared to death."

Dr. Stevens flew 29 missions and was wounded on the last one, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart.

After the war, he enrolled at Southwestern Theological Seminary where he received the Th.M. degree in 1948. Later he was awarded honorary doctorates by Baylor University and William Jewell College.

Asked what has been the most significant development in his 12 years as director of the Radio and Television Commission, Dr. Stevens said, "The greatest has been a God-given conviction on the part of the top ranking leadership of the Southern Baptist Convention that radio and television are an integral part of denominational work seeking to bring the judgments of God on the affairs of men through Jesus Christ, and their conviction that it must be professional, not just a one-man operation lacking in skill, repertoire and equipment."



THE FIRST AND THE 36th — Leon McEwen and Malcolm Cooper are shown holding the first and the latest of 36 Standard Sunday School Awards received at Springfield Church, Scott County. In the background is a display of all the other Standard banners awarded the church, including the Advance Standard earned in 1961-62.



TRAINING AWARDS — A total of 129 diplomas, which represent many seals, were recently awarded at Springfield. Those receiving all five diplomas, complete with all seals, in the Church Training Course were shown above, Miss Dencie Cooper, Mrs. J. W. Winstead, and Mrs. Leslie Cooper.

ment.

In the light of this conviction, Southern Baptists have given the commission a one million dollar annual budget plus a one million dollar building which was dedicated June 2 this year in Fort Worth, Texas.

Variety and originality have characterized the commission since Dr. Stevens became director. Up to that time, all religious broadcasts had the same format: singing, special music and preaching. "In these days people don't have time to wait while we preach to them," said Dr. Stevens. "We must preach to them on the run. They either will hear us in short periods of time or they won't hear us at all."

Sell the Soap

This all came to me one day in 1957 when I accompanied my wife to the grocery store. While she did her buying, I stood in front of the soap display looking at the many brands of soap. There was blue soap and white soap, liquid soap and solid soap. Soap came in tall boxes and short boxes, in cans and in bottles.

"I made a remarkable discovery. All these different brands of soap were put out by only two large companies." These people were saying, "We are going to sell you soap. We will package it in any way you want and in whatever form or color you prefer, but we are determined to sell you soap."

The thought came at once to Dr. Stevens, "Now why can't we do that with the gospel?" Rushing back to the office, he called the staff together and worked late into the night attempting to put into practice the lesson of the soap promoters.

Forgetting the typical preaching approach, in religious radio, they sought original means which would attract the greatest number of listeners.

"This was the beginning of a creative explosion in the commission," said Dr. Stevens. "In 1959 we were ready to go to the broadcasting companies with a program known as 'Master Control.'"

This program is a melange, a recipe that is composed of popular music and general interviews with outstanding people in all areas of life with no religious content at all. These are combined with religious interviews with people who have vital Christian testimonies. To this we add sacred music and gospel vignettes in proper quantities.

Master Control is heard by more people than any other religious program in the United States. The same type of program is now being produced in Spanish for use in Latin America.

Over Six Feet Dr. Stevens is a command-



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY at First Church, Pascagoula, September 25—Left to right: E. J. Smith, Building Committee Chairman; Dr. S. B. McIlwain, C. E. Mitchell, Rev. Clark W. McMurray, pastor; J. H. Simpson, Mrs. P. J. Higginbotham, W. Loyd Felham, W. F. Farmer, Maurice L. Hodges, Earl McKee, R. E. Lynn, Sr., Rex Gordon, and Walter Smith.

1st, Pascagoula, Signs Construction Contract

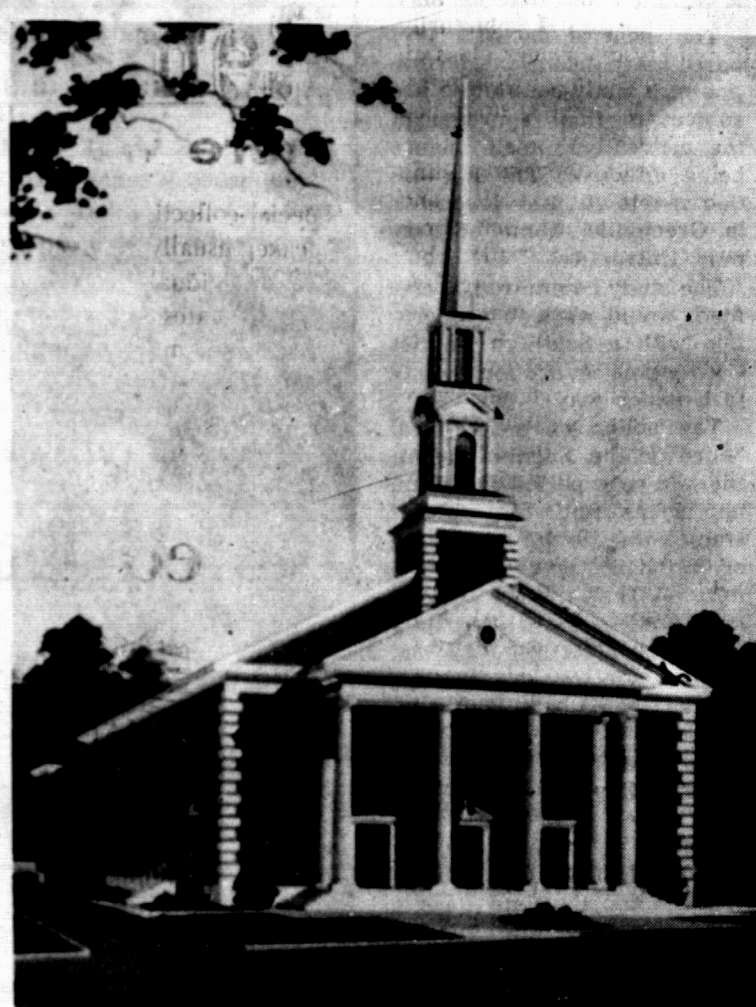
First Church, Pascagoula has signed a contract for construction of a new \$654,987 church. (The total figure includes \$56,727 for an organ and \$48,500 for carpet and furniture.)

A contract was signed with Fletcher Construction Company of Pascagoula for the church building. Fletcher began clearing ground for the construction October 7.

The new church will be built directly behind the present sanctuary. It will have a maximum seating capacity of 1,500, double the previous capacity. The old church will be remodeled for Sunday school use.

The ceiling in the sanctuary will be 40 feet and the steeple will reach 143 feet above the ground.

Rev. Clark W. McMurray is pastor. E. J. Smith is chairman of the building committee. Other chairmen include J. H. Simpson, purchasing; W. F. Farmer, grounds; R. E. Lynn, Sr., plans; N. L. Hatten, construction; Earl McKee, finance; Walter Smith, publicity; Mrs. Nolan Hatten, furnishings; Mrs. P. J. Higginbotham, music; Dr. S. B. McIlwain, vice-chairman of the over-all committee, and Rex Gordon, legal advisor.



ARCHITECTS' drawing of new sanctuary under construction at First Church, Pascagoula.

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fifty percent increase in one year!"

Baptists are free. But this is only half the truth for Baptists are free to cooperate. Quite a lot has been said in recent months about the independence of Baptist churches and they are independent.

I believe the time has come for us to major on another favorite Baptist belief — our need for cooperation. Southern Baptists did not come to their present position as one of the most formidable forces for missions in the earth today by emphasizing their independence but rather by exercising their cooperation.

Never have the times demanded more. Never have Mississippi Baptists had more. Now is the time for every Mississippi Baptist church to take three simple steps to assure a growing missionary witness to the ends of the earth. Don't emphasize independence, exer-

ing personality with strong convictions which he freely expresses. He stands over six feet tall and carries his well-proportioned body with vigorous grace.

Concerning his personal appearance he recalls an experience he had while fishing a number of years ago in Colorado. He had run out of money and went to the bank in a small town to cash a personal check. The banker was doubtful of his story, but agreed to call Stevens's banker, whom he knew, for verification.

"Does he have a build like a prize fighter?" asked the Ada banker. "Does he have hair like an Alredale dog? Then that's my preacher. Give him whatever he wants."

Dr. Stevens envisions the time when the Radio and Television Commission will have studios in various parts of the world where material can be prepared with the proper cultural flavor for the particular areas. Until that time, he intends to lead his Fort Worth staff in seeking to minister to the masses as effectively as possible through the media of radio and television.

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who has been serving as a correspondent there.

"This doesn't sound much like aggiornamento to me," Mr. Lowell commented. "It sounds very much like Cardinal Spellman's old line."

It is lamentable that this insistence that Protestants and others should be taxed to pay for Catholic schools has now been incorporated into Catholic doctrine.

"This rigid demand for separate schools for which the entire public is taxed will wreak havoc with ecumenical relations in the United States if it continues to be pressed. The Catholic leadership will certainly rouse anti-clerical sentiment against itself if it persists in this program."

It is to be hoped that wise counsels will prevail and that there may be firm acceptance by the American Catholic hierarchy of the separation of church and state."

October Emphasis

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written by Dr. Quarles and Mr. Alexander.

Several Articles Carried Readers are urged to turn to these articles as well as other stories and pictures emphasizing the Cooperative Program on inside pages of this issue.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for about two-thirds of all mission contributions.

Cooperative Program funds are divided among all the causes supported by Mississippi and Southern Baptists.

Total mission gifts include Cooperative Program contributions and designated funds.

cise cooperation. Together we can stand against any foe, we can conquer any adversary, we can extend world outreach for the Glory of Christ and good of all mankind. I urge you to take these three simple steps in your church now.

Laymen's Retreat Set For Garaywa

The third annual Central Mississippi Baptist Laymen's Retreat will be held at Camp Garaywa, near Clinton, November 5-6.

"Laymen Witnessing" is the theme of this year's retreat. Outstanding Baptist laymen, educators, and ministers will discuss various aspects of the theme.

Program participants include:

Dr. C. W. Applewhite, Yazoo City, Southern Baptist medical missionary on furlough from Indonesia; Clifton W. Brannon, Longview, Tex., attorney and lay evangelist; Dr. W. P. Davis, Jackson, director of Negro work for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Ralph Herrin, Collins, businessman and state legislator.

Charles J. Jackson, Yazoo City, sales manager of Mississippi Chemical Corporation and Coastal Chemical Corporation. Dr. R. A. McEmore, Clinton, president of Mississippi College; Dr. Dale Moody, Louisville, Kentucky, Joseph Emerson Brown, professor of Christian theology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; M. D. Reagan, Carthage, poultryman.

Rev. Joe Smith, Helena, Montana, area missionary for Montana; Joe Sutton, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, poultryman and president of the Illinois Brotherhood Association; Earl Thomas, Jackson, attorney and president of the Mississippi Bar Association, and Claude Townsend, Jackson, owner of Townsend Piano Co.

Baptist laymen from throughout Mississippi are invited to attend the retreat. Reservations may be made with Owen Cooper, P. O. Box 388, Yazoo City. There is a \$10 registration and program fee.

The program is scheduled to begin at 6 p. m. Friday, November 5, and conclude Saturday night.

Taylor Goes With Broadway Plan

CARBONDALE, ILL. (BP)—Noel M. Taylor, who recently resigned as executive secretary of the Illinois Baptist State Association, has accepted a position as vice-president of the Broadway Plan of Church Finance, Inc.

He will assume his new position immediately. He and Mrs. Taylor will move from Carbondale to Houston, Tex., where the home office of Broadway Bond Co. is located.

Gillsburg Awards Attendance Pins

On October 3, Travis Reynolds, Sunday school superintendent at Gillsburg Church, awarded to Jim Newman a Sunday school pin for 13 years of perfect Sunday school attendance. At the same time, he presented to Mrs. Newman a 10-year pin.

Others who received awards for above five years were Phyllis Hayes, nine years; Rev. Harold D. Miller, pastor, eight years; Marilyn Martin and Mrs. Benton McMillan, seven years; Mrs. Clyde Gordon, six years.

Mrs. A. G. Felder received a 12-year pin for perfect attendance in Training Union.

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Grading Problems?

By W. L. Howse

Doubtless, you are one of many persons who could answer yes to the question the title raises. Some might say, "This is a perennial headache." A few with a rising inflection might say, "Don't get me stirred up!" Others could reply happily and truthfully, "This is not a problem with us."

Every Sunday school officer and teacher, sooner or later, comes face to face with the problem of grading. When he does, he usually handles the problem according to his church's policy or passes it along to the department or general superintendent for decision and solution. All too often problems of grading become "hot potatoes," which are tossed here and there in the Sunday school organization. Since juggling does not solve the problem, acute crises can result.

Every problem of grading is different; so the responsible person who must face up to the solution of the problem can never be ready with a "pat" answer. When problems arise, there are some facts to keep in mind as solutions are sought.

Several elements make up a grading system. The significant elements of the grading system in Southern Baptist churches are:

1. Age grading — grading according to the age of a person at a given dividing line.
2. Ages grouped together — grouping of various ages together to form classes, departments, groups, etc.
3. Grading date — the date used as a dividing line to a group persons
4. Promotion date — date in year to promote persons from one age group to another.
5. Names of groups — designations of various age groups.

Problems which arise may relate to only one or two of these elements, not to the entire system. The solution to problems of this nature should be isolated and solved, thus saving a church the radical change of its entire system.

The perfect grading system does not exist. The churches of a denomination should evaluate their grading system periodically to see whether it is adequate. But no system will meet the needs of all Sunday school members. Certain individuals will need assistance in adjusting to the grading system regardless of what the system is. Such persons should be dealt with as persons, and the best possible solutions to their needs should be sought.

However, in meeting the needs of one or more members, other members should not be disadvantaged. When certain persons come in conflict with the grading system, they demand that the system be changed rather than adjusting to it. Before making a hurried decision to change the

system or make an exception, it should be recalled that such actions may pose problems for other members who might as strongly favor other solutions to meet their special needs.

It should be repeated here that adjusting only one or two elements of the grading plan may solve the major problems.

Another fact to keep in mind is that most grading problems sooner or later can be traced to Adults. One of the major problems in keeping a Sunday school graded is that often Adults accept grading in general but do not accept it in particular. That is, they are for a graded Sunday school but reserve the right to make their own exceptions to it.

When one accepts a church's system of grading, he should know that he also has accepted voluntarily moving to the proper class on Promotion Day. Otherwise, the school becomes ungraded within a year.

If Adults accept grading and follow it cordially and happily, the Sunday school not only remains graded, but grading begins to achieve its education and administration purposes. Groups of Adults so attached to each other that they are not aware of prospects for their classes become little "Dead Seas." This attitude sets the wrong example for the entire school. Adults who observe grading according to age and voluntarily move up to the proper classes and departments on Promotion Day confirm their belief in a graded Sunday school. Their willingness to grade themselves expresses their interest in personal advancement and their concern for reaching others for Bible study.

Adults are a further source of grading problems. When dissatisfaction with grading arises among children and young people, it is most often parents or teachers who insist that the grading system be changed to eliminate the dissatisfaction. One of the best ways to teach unselfishness is to assist a person in adjusting to the problems that grading poses for him. It is not possible to meet everyone's needs by letting each have his own way. Grading problems can be learning opportunities, and they should be.

Occasionally, a church changes its grading system rather than cope with the problems it faces with its existing system. If a change is made with enthusiasm, the virtues of the new system often are extolled while the previous system is discounted. This leads neighbor churches to feel that their systems are no longer useful and that they too should change.

It should be remembered that no system really succeeds without the support of the officers and teachers of the Sunday school. If the existing system is supported vigorously and there is continuous education as to its values, there probably will be no demand for a change. When Sunday school officers and teachers understand the education and administration purposes of grading and explain them positively, problems of grading can be kept to a minimum. Sunday school workers should instruct their members in the values of grading throughout the year. If they follow this practice, Sunday school members will have information for making the right decisions when problems arise.

The answer to problems of grading is not to change the system or even to change the persons involved to another class or department. The answer is found when teachers know their pupils well enough to make these problems learning opportunities.

Problems of grading are certain to develop; and when they do, they should be no surprise to the general officers, especially the general superintendent. If their work is done well through the year, the general officers will have fewer problems to face, and the ones that come can be solved with less difficulty.

Note: The Sunday School Board periodically evaluates the grading system it recommends to the churches. It welcomes and receives regularly evaluations and suggestions for improving grading. Comments on this article are welcome. Please send them to 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee.



Remember When there was no Cooperative Program?

Special collections were made for various mission causes. The best speaker usually received the most money for his cause. Since 1925 individuals have found it possible to support all the work in their states and in the Southern Baptist Convention through their tithes and offerings.



The Cooperative Program: Its 40th Year—Rooted Deep In Rich Soil



By Anne Washburn McWilliams
In the days before the atom was split, when people rode slow trains or fast horses, special offerings turned the wheels that made church work go.

Special offerings! A Sunday for home missions... a Sunday for foreign missions... a Sunday for hospitals... a Sunday for retired preachers... ad infinitum.

On rainy Sundays, attendance dropped, as did the amounts of the offerings. Consequently, every object for special attention soon felt itself at the mercy of the weather. The special offerings plan of church finance obviously was imperfect.

This was the state of affairs when one Sunday morning in 1915, Richmond Gunter decided it was time for a change. Snow was falling silently outside the church windows at First Baptist Church, Louisville, Mississippi. The tinkle of silver dur-

ing the offertory was slight. After his sermon and the benediction, Pastor Gunter made a quick decision. This was the day to make his recommendation. Halting the exodus to the church door, he overlooked the "what-is-it-now - I'm hungry - for Sunday - dinner" look in the men's eyes and the "come-on-Mama - I - want - to - play-in - the - snow" look in the children's eyes, and announced:

"I have an idea that I would like for our church to test. The special offering today suffered because of the bad weather. I recommend that all of us in this church give as liberally as possible on all Sundays, and then that the money be divided by percentages among the various needs and causes of Baptist work, at the church, in the state, and in the convention. I suggest that the money be sent to the various causes at the end of each month."

Through the following week, the idea crackled across the town. The deacons liked it. The church liked it. Then the next Sunday they voted to try it. They did, and it worked.

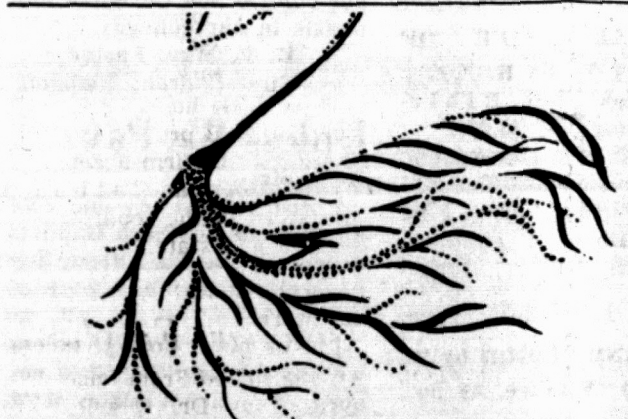
Richmond Gunter's idea for his church was the Cooperative Program in miniature. His church at Louisville was probably the first in Mississippi, and one of the first in the Southern Baptist Convention to use the percentage division of gifts.

Forty Years Ago
The Future Program Com-

mission, later to be called the Cooperative Program Commission, recommended to the May 13, 1925 session of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Memphis, that "from the adoption of this report by the Convention our co-operative work be known as the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists." Richmond B. Gunter, as a member of the Future Program Commission, and as corresponding secretary for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, had affixed his name to that report. (The work of the Cooperative Program Commission was turned over to the Executive Committee, SBC, in 1927.)

Like unto the signing of the Declaration of Independence was the signing of that document. It was like a declaration of independence from debt. The 75 Million Campaign (1919-1924) had been successful, but soon debts again began to pile up. Southern Baptists had been plagued by debts for years, but in the Cooperative Program, there was hope for solvency.

Dr. Gunter died in 1964, but he should be remembered as one who helped to plant the good tree, Cooperative Program. He and other men with him set the roots deep in rich soil. The tree did not die. Today, in its 40th year, the Cooperative Program, like a great and mighty oak, spreads its leafy arms to the whole wide world.



DO WE STILL NEED THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM?



We Still Need The Program

By W. E. Grindstaff
The piggy bank was stuffed tightly with small coins. It scarcely rattled when the preacher shook it. Across the desk from the pastor sat a man who had just delivered the strange offering. He explained it was his little daughter's bank, that she had recently died. "But before her death she told me to take her money and divide it among everybody," said the father.

"Last Sunday you described how the money given through the Cooperative Program reaches into all the world, and I then knew the best use to make of Carol's piggy bank. I believe that through the Cooperative Program it will be divided among more people than in any other way."

We need the Cooperative Program today because it provides the best known way for most Baptists to obey the

or will we give only to emotional appeals?



Great Commission of Jesus Christ. We cannot go into all the world alone and preach the gospel, but we can obey Jesus' Commission by giving and praying together.

Which petal on a rose is more important? Could a flower become beautiful if roots or stem or leaves were missing? The Cooperative Program tells us that the whole of our mission program (Continued on page 6)

Reports From Rome--

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abilities, and their relationships to the rest of the world pose another set of problems. The rising socialization of all of society and the conflict between communistic ideals and the traditional ways of western nations grow with each passing year.

Add to this the void in sound solutions. The United Nations comes to a stalemate and its very existence is threatened. The world sits on a powder keg and an explosion is imminent.

Then the pope steps in. He dramatically steps across the lines drawn by many of his followers who as super-patriots, as anti-internationalists, or as anti-communists have nurtured suspicion of the United Nations. The hopes of the world rise. Maybe an answer can be found. At least the pope is willing to project himself and the powers of his church into the world picture. And he comes armed with a new set of ideas that did not characterize former popes and sought and wielded tremendous temporal power for the selfish ends of the church.

These new ideas are seen in a new doctrine of religious liberty, a new emphasis on the dignity of every man, a new concern for the suffering and underprivileged peoples of the earth, a new spirit of dialogue and communication with other Christians, and a new willingness to cooperate even with non-Christian religions to promote justice, to end discrimination and to preserve the race.

The pope's emergence in his new role in the affairs of men comes at a time when the Council is debating a message not just to itself but to all of mankind. It is called a "Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World."

Subject Listed

While no one knows at this writing what will be the decision of the Council on this document, the very fact of its existence and the release of ideas from bishops from all over the world make it

impossible for the Catholic Church ever again to be the same. The mere listing of the subjects treated indicates what is in the wind. They are:

"The condition of man in the modern world, the human person's vocation, the community of men, the paths to be followed, the significance of human activity in the world, the role of the church in the modern world."

"Preserving the dignity of marriage and the family, promoting cultural progress, economic-social life, the political life of the community, and the community of nations and the promotion of peace."

The new role of the papacy and of the Roman Catholic Church is clear from the travels of Pope Paul VI. In breaking out of the confines of the Vatican he has visited in the Holy Land, made a trip to India, and now to the United Nations.

Nor is this all. It is reported that a trip to Poland is in the making. He has expressed a willingness to tour the United States.

When asked in New York if he would be willing to go to Peking in his quest for peace, the pope replied, "Certainly." He then said that he would go to Vietnam if he could help to secure peace there.

As significant as his own desires to be a factor in the life of the world is the reaction of the leaders of the world to the pope's efforts. The President of the United States visited with him 46 minutes. They discussed a wide variety of world problems ranging from the quest for peace to the problems of worldwide poverty, disease and illiteracy, and from race relations to Vietnam.

Among the significant contacts this pope made in New York was with the representatives of Soviet Russia, Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and the UN Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin. Later, Tass, the official Soviet press agency hailed the pope's speech to the UN as a "positive contribution" to the cause of peace.

Sometimes I'm Speechless

By Theo Sommerkamp

Not that I have nothing to say, I do, and it's important. And I don't have laryngitis or stage fright. My courage is bold, my vocal chords in fine shape; but I can't be heard over the tumult of other voices which drown me out.

Once in a while I do get a chance to say something, uninterrupted; but the result is worse even than not getting a chance to speak. I'm told afterward—when I overheard the whispers in the hallways—"He's about the finest fellow we know. We don't question a second what he says is true, but we're too busy to bother with what he has in mind."

An invitation to "come back next year" is always courteous and seems to be cordial, but you can detect the insincerity, that it's just being diplomatic, tactful.

Yet, people, who need me, are depending on me to tell their story for them. And if I'm denied an attentive hearing or rebuffed, what do I go back and tell—

—that young fellow whose home life has been disrupted and is counting on me to give him a Christian atmosphere at a children's home to grow up in?

—the mother of that teenage girl who is desperately ill and requires extensive hospital care, but who hasn't the means to pay for more than a fraction of its cost?

—to the high school graduate who's been called to preach and needs help for college and seminary training?

—to the person who's never heard about Jesus, but who has a strange hungering in his heart which (though he doesn't know it) can be satisfied only by the Master? And only if some preacher or missionary has the chance to tell him?

At other times, and other places, I come back happy and excited. I have won the imagination of my listeners. More than that, their support. I have great ideas, big plans.

I can free a pastor from the burden of a job in a department store that he must have in order to support his family. Now he can use that val-

uable time to visit prospects, unchurched.

I can fill up some of the slack in a growing foreign mission program where money is always scarcer than opportunities to proclaim the Word.

I can cut down the growing gap between population and converts caused by the population explosion. As I help more preachers and missionaries go forth, they will win more converts to Christ.

I can insure that Baptist colleges and schools can keep up quality Christian education despite the pressures of growing enrolment and skyrocketing operating costs.

Because of me, a Cuban refugee family can be aided and can find life in a new country, as well as new life in Christ.

Who am I? It's not hard to guess that I am the Cooperative Program. And though I'm pretty lively, and what I do has very much to do with people, I'm not a person at all.

Your voice is my voice. My very life and health depend on you. If you support me with your gifts and prayers, tell others about me, and encourage them to do the same. If sometimes I'm not heard, could it be that you haven't helped me out?

If you look at it this way, it's not just the child in the Baptist children's home, the sick girl in the Baptist hospital, the ministerial student in the Baptist college, the man out there longing for the gospel who need me.

You need me, too. Though you say, "I'm not homeless, or ill, or a student preacher, and I have accepted Christ."

It's precisely at this last part you need me. As a Christian you want to help out the Great Commission. You recognize from the discourse of Jesus that "as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren"—such as the ones just mentioned—"you have done it unto me" (Matt. 25:40).

As your Cooperative Program, I can help you follow Christ's command, "unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

Miracle Dollars

Almost every true Christian has within his heart a desire to be a missionary. He would like to share the joy of his salvation experience with other people.

He would like to be able to stand in a pulpit and proclaim the message of God's word to a waiting congregation.

He would like to walk with a missionary in some needy field in America, or in some other land, and give the message of Christ to those who never have heard.

He would like to stand beside a Christian doctor in a mission hospital, and assist him as he works medical miracles in the name of Christ.

He would like to help erect new church buildings in some great crowded city in South America, or in a jungle village in Africa.

He would like to share in teaching young preachers in a seminary in Indonesia, or Japan.

He would like to help provide Bibles, tracts and books for spreading the gospel to the rapidly growing millions around the world.

Looking at all of these and numerous other stupendous tasks, the average Christian longs to do them all, yet probably feels in his heart that he cannot do one of them.

How mistaken he is! He can share in them all! God has led Southern Baptists in the development of a program whereby any Baptist can have part in a multitude of different missionary tasks.

This individual Baptist can preach from thousands of pulpits, across America and around the world; he can teach in schools and seminaries; he can minister in Christian hospitals; he can give loving care to orphan children. He can build new churches, open new mission stations, give assistance to weak Christians, and

provide the printed word for eager readers.

He can help support more than 2,000 missionaries in America, more than 2,000 foreign missionaries in nearly 60 foreign nations, and great numbers of other phases of mission witness.

How can the average Baptist do all of this?

Through the Cooperative Program, the world mission budget of Mississippi Baptists and Southern Baptists.

The gift of any Baptist, no matter how small, given through his church as it supports the Cooperative Program, becomes a part of all the work that Southern Baptists and Mississippi Baptists are doing.

It is as if God gave miraculous wings to the tithes and offerings the church member brings to his church, and uses them to spread the gospel around the world.

They become miracle dollars, used of God to open the way for every Baptist to share in His world program.

What a miracle, and what a blessing, that every individual Baptist can become a partner with God, and with his fellow Christians, in the greatest work in the world—witnessing for Jesus Christ.

Cooperative Program Giving

The Cooperative Program giving of every church in Mississippi should be enlarged in 1966.

The reason is obvious. The world mission budgets of Mississippi Baptists and Southern Baptists are larger than ever they have been before. This enlargement is necessary because the needs of the entire program of work are greater, as Baptists seek to enter the mission doors God is opening to them.

The opportunity for Christian witness in Mississippi, in America, and around the world, is greater than ever before.

The educational institutions face the largest challenges in their history.

Other areas of denominational ministry have ever increasing needs.

Conventions must enlarge their budgets now, if they are even to begin to meet these opportunities. The convention board of Mississippi Baptist will rec-

ommend to the state convention meeting in Jackson next month, a budget that will be approximately 10% larger than the probable receipts of the present year.

If this budget goal is to be reached, the churches must enlarge their missionary giving. The convention has no other source of income.

This budget, as large as it is, however, is not too great for Mississippi churches to meet. Every church in Mississippi, almost without exception, can, by careful planning and faithful stewardship, increase its Cooperative Program world mission gifts by 10% or more, without hurting its own local program. Indeed, the local program will be strengthened as mission giving grows.

Mississippi Baptists are now giving about 11% of the offering plate dollar received in their churches, through the Cooperative Program. Of course, many churches are giving much more than that but at the same time, the majority are giving less than that amount.

How much is this 11%? It is just about 10c per week per capita. That means that Mississippi Baptists are averaging giving a cup of coffee or a soft drink each week, to the whole world mission program of Baptists, through the Cooperative Program. Can this really be called worthy mission giving?

How much is your church giving? You can find out by dividing the total Cooperative Program gifts by the total reported membership. This will give the per capita for the year. Then divide this by 52 and you will find the amount per week.

If your church reports 200 members, and you gave \$1,000 during the past year, your per capita was about \$5.00, or less than 10c per week. If you have 100 members and gave \$100.00 you gave less than 2c per week.

A survey of three associations made for the annual association meetings shows that in one of them 27 of 30 churches, in another 17 of 29 churches, and in the third 41 out of 44 churches gave less than 10c per week per capita.

We are convinced that Mississippi Baptist churches can increase this Cooperative Program giving, that they want to do it, and that they will do it for the coming year.

Now is the time to make plans for those increases. They will enlarge the whole world program of Baptist witness, and at the same time bring rich spiritual blessing to the church.

Baptist Study . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

the churches' mission through social service; the churches' mission through cultures; and questions affecting the programming of free stewardship.

No official position was taken on issues discussed by participants in the Religious Liberty Conference. The purpose of such conferences is the sharing and expression of opinions and attitudes among Baptists. The conference received a report of such sharing of opinions from each of the working sections. These reports were referred to the Baptist Joint Committee for further study.

Keppel Speaks

Coming in to address the group of Baptists were: Francis Keppel, U. S. Commissioner of Education; David J. Bowman, assistant professor of religious education, Catholic University of America; and Richard Hirsch, director of the Religious Action Center, Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Commissioner Keppel spoke to the group on the current developments in the field of education legislation. Hirsch discussed "The Philosophic Base of Judaic Concern for Freedom."

Bowman credited the Baptists of America for the current discussion of religious freedom in the Roman Catholic Church. He referred to the influence of the American bishops in the approval in principle of the Declaration of Religious Liberty by Vatican Council II. The American bishops were influenced by the American concept of religious freedom, he said, which in turn was influenced by Baptists.

"Baptists have contributed largely to the religious liberty document" in the Roman Catholic Church, Bowman said.

The 1966 conference, set for October 5-7, will discuss "The Christian's Role Through Church and State."

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs is sponsored by eight Baptist groups: Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention, Baptist General Conference, North American Baptist General Conference, Baptist Federation of Canada, National Baptist Convention, National Baptist Convention, Inc., and the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

October 25 — Wendell Deery, Carey College faculty; Gwen Powell, faculty, Gilfooy School of Nursing.

October 26 — J. Clifford Watson, faculty, Clarke College; Charles Melton, Newton st. of missions.

October 27 — Marcus Hammons, Copiah associational Brotherhood president; Johnell Cooley, Baptist Book Store.

October 28 — Thelma Robinson, staff, Children's Village; Mrs. Sam Shepard, WMU president, District VI.

October 29 — Mrs. Ruby Russell, Baptist Building; L. Gordon Sansing, Baptist Building.

October 30 — Gall Elrod, Baptist student director, MSCW; Glender Dennis, Jones associational Sunday school superintendent.

October 31 — James Q. Allen, faculty, Mississippi College; Bess Hutchins, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

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PERSPECTIVE

Robert J. Hastings

Ripe For Trouble

We frequently use colors to describe our emotions. "He was white with fear . . . green with envy . . . purple with rage . . . yellow with cowardice."

How did green ever come to be associated with envy or jealousy? When we become envious of what someone has, does our skin actually turn green? Hardly. Yet Shakespeare described envy as the "green sickness."

In handling our emotions, it is not the color of our skin—green, yellow, or purple—that counts, but our inner attitudes. An old proverb reads, "When you become green with envy, you become ripe for trouble."

Envy and jealousy do lead to trouble, and sometimes lots of it. How many neighbors have fallen out because one was jealous of what the other had? In how many families has envy caused hard feelings? How many murders, robberies, kidnappings, and even wars have been kindled with the flame of jealousy?

Yes, when we become green with envy, we are ripe for trouble.

Actually, envy is self-love. We think so much of ourselves and are so anxious to satisfy our own personal wants that we grow envious if others get ahead of us. The cure for envy is love. Not self-love, but an outgoing love that is concerned with the feelings, the needs, the sensitivities of others. The Apostle Paul said it in just three words, "Love envieth not."

New Sacred Records

THE GAME OF LIFE — Jarrell McCracken, With Nine Outstanding Athletes (Word W-329-LP)

The thrilling play-by-play description of an imaginary football game between Christianity and the forces of evil. This recording was first presented by McCracken in 1951, and became the foundation of the organization of Word Records Co. In this new form the entire game is given on one side of the record, followed by Christian testimonies of such outstanding athletes as Bobby Richardson, Paul Dietzel, Bill Glass, Alvin Dark, Bob Pettit and others. This will be a splendid album to give to young people and teenagers, or to use in working with them.

The Cooperative Program

is the Great Commission in action.

Newest In Books

GARLAND FOR CHRISTMAS selected by Chad Walsh (Macmillan, 128 pp., paperback, 95 cents).

Here are Christmas poems, a collection of new and old, gay and serious. A young teacher and poet has assembled, under one cover, poems by Blake, Donne, Frost, Shakespeare, and others.

ALL ABOUT CHRISTMAS by Maymie R. Krythe (Harper, 211 pp., \$2.95).

The customs, legends and traditions associated with Christmas around the world.

JOURNEY INTO MALAYA by Amy McIntosh ("One Evening Condensed Book", paperback, 50 cents, Good News Publishers, 63 pp.).

Condensed from the book, Journey Into Malaya, published by the China Inland Mission Overseas Missionary Fellowship.

BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT by Adam W. Miller (Warner, 224 pp., \$2.00).

After an opening chapter of general discussion, an introduction and outline study is given for every book of the Old Testament.

UNDERSTANDING THE LEARNER by George E. Riday (Judson, 125 pp., \$1.50).

A study of the process of learning and how the teacher influences the pupil.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS by William Masson (John Knox, 91 pp., \$1.00).

Sermons on the meaning of

the coming and death of Jesus Christ, delivered by a Scottish preacher at St. Giles Cathedral at Edinburgh, Scotland.

JESUS, PAUL AND JUDAISM by Leonhard Goppelt (Nelson, 192 pp., \$2.95).

An introduction to New Testament theology, showing the relationship of Judaism and the Christian message.

THE PASSION AND DEATH OF CHRIST by Charles H. Spurgeon (Eerdmans, 152 pp., \$1.45).

A collection of twelve sermons by the great English Baptist preacher on things related to the suffering and death of Christ.

THE DEAD SEA SCRIPTURES by Theodor H. Gaster (Doubleday Anchor Books, 420 pp., \$1.45).

A revised and enlarged English translation of the Dead Sea Scriptures, with introduction and notes provided for each document.

BUILDING A CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE by William E. Hulme (Prentice-Hall, 120 pp., \$2.50).

This is an important new book in its field. The writer declares that man should be head of the house, and woman the heart of the house—and that together head and heart comprise a marriage. He further contends that husband and wife should not compete with each other, but should rather complement each other. He says that a couple who feel for each other

devotion, friendship, and sexual love, and who follow the example of Christ and His church, have the key to building a Christian marriage.

THE EARLY LIFE OF CHRIST by Velma B. Kiefer (Baker Book House, Bible Story Visuogram, \$3.95).

Twenty flash-card stories, one on the annunciation, the other on the birth of Christ. Fine for use with small children. Illustrations are by Adrian Beerhorst.

THE HAND OF GOD by W. A. Seawell (Vantage, 41 pp., \$2.00).

A book of poems by a Christian minister.

BEHIND THE CLOUDS — LIGHT by L. H. Mayfield (Abingdon, 63 pp., \$1.50).

Twenty-seven meditations, written especially for the sick or the distressed. Very attractive in type, design, and illustration. Original drawings by Kenneth Thompson.

THE ANSWER by Howard W. Ferrin (Good News Publishers, paperback, 63 pp., "One Evening Condensed Book," 50 cents).

This little book presents Christ as the answer to every man's need. To the baker He is bread. To the carpenter He is the door. To the florist He is the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley. To the newspaperman He is good tidings of great joy. To the philosopher He is wisdom. To the sinner He is the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.

BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs
Pastor, First Baptist Church
Oklahoma City, Okla.

SHAMING THE NAME OF GOD

"For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written"—Romans 2:24.

Paul is speaking of the effect which Jewish inconsistency has on the Gentile world. This verse is a free quotation from the Septuagint (Greek translation) of Isaiah 52:5.

The word "blaspheme" means to speak shamefully or

contemptuously. Isaiah pointed out that the Jews being in captivity would cause their captors to say, "The God of the Hebrews could not keep them from being captured. Therefore, He is no God at all."

Now Paul says that the Gentiles are saying the same thing. And it is "through you," the Jews. The Jews boasted that they had the Law. Yet they did not keep it themselves (Rom. 2:17-23). They posed as teachers of God's Law. They taught that a man should not steal, commit adultery, or worship idols. Yet they did all of these things. "Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?" (Rom. 2:23).

For this reason the pagan world said, "Like God, like people; what a Divinity the patron of this odious race must be" (Denney). Because of the sinful conduct of the Jews, the very people whom they were supposed to win spoke contemptuously of Jehovah.

This brief verse has a tremendous lesson for Christian people. We must practice what we preach. For a lost world judges God by us. If we play the hypocrite in living sinfully, all the while proposing to teach the ways of God, we cause a lost world to speak with contempt about our God.

Roberson sees only as figments of emotionally charged imaginations. The speaking in other tongues (languages) of Acts 2:4 and following, Mr. Roberson's super-critical mind sees as some "animal-like utterances" from the lips of deeply repentant men—the hearing of which impressed Scriptures which describe the guilty consciences of the multitude only that these were the "wonderful works of God." HOGWASH!!!

Let Mr. Roberson keep his infidelity to himself. He has no right to impose his modernistic views upon good Bible believing Christians who read the Baptist Record.

Mr. Roberson should be reminded that "all scripture is given by inspiration of God . . ." (II Timothy 3:16) and that it is truth, without admixture of error. May the Lord convert him from the error of his way. The cloven tongues of fire APPEARED, and the disciples SPOKE, else the word of God is a lie and untrustworthy.

M. D. Williams, Pastor
Northside Baptist Church
Lucedale

(Editor's Note: Articles in the Baptist Record represent the writer's point of view and not necessarily the editors. The editor certainly agrees with you that there was a miraculous experience, and not merely an "emotional" one at Pentecost.)

Baptist Forum

Re: Federal Aid

Dear Sir:

I certainly believe we are going to have to go back in our thinking and ask, "Why are we in education? Are we to try to compete with tax-supported institutions, or provide an education with Christian emphasis for our young people who are dedicated to God?" Certainly we cannot compete. To try to compete is to surrender to the course of easiest money and to lose control in the process. Let's do what we can, the best we can with what we have, and make no apology to anyone and retain our control and Christian emphasis in our colleges.

E. V. May, Pastor
First Church, Shannon

Unless We Pay

Dear Sir:

I wish to cast my one vote against our Southern Baptists accepting one dime from any government for any part of our work.

Let us never forget, unless we pay for anything, it is not ours. We cannot claim it. I know that temptations are tremendous, but we will have everything to lose if we fall for this.

Mrs. Robert E. McFadden
Route 4, Box 88-A
Starkville, Mississippi

Day Of Pentecost

Dear Sir:

In regard to the article "Concerning Glossolalia" by Cecil Roberson, in the September 30, 1965, issue, I was sharply disappointed to find an article with such modernistic viewpoints printed in the Baptist Record.

Mr. Roberson quite evidently does not consider the Scriptures in Acts to be the inspired and infallible word of God, and evidently gives no more credibility to those Pentecostal experiences than to a second hand account of any historical event by any not-too-accurate historian.

The rushing wind and tongues of fire which the Scripture describes as actual occurrences (Acts 2:2-3), Mr.

Leaders Speak On Behalf Of The Cooperative Program

"The Rim Of The World"

By Dr. William G. Tanner, Pastor
First Church, Gulfport

Phillips Brooks once told his Sunday morning congregation: "To be an effective witness to the great span of humanity in our day, the back of this sanctuary ought to be the rim of the world."



For Southern Baptists this imperative is spelled out within the framework of the Cooperative Program. Only as we enlarge our giving to world missions can we extend the reach of our witness. And essentially our job as Christians is to witness. Let me urge you and your church to consider an expanded outreach this year. Why not consider as your boundary, "the rim of the world!"

The Lifeline Of Our Work

By Dr. T. R. McKibbens, Pastor
First, Laurel

The Cooperative Program is the lifeline of all our work. Through it we are able to do together that which would be impossible to accomplish otherwise. It is a vehicle to implement our total mission program, enabling us to achieve the greatest possible good. It is my personal desire and ambition to see every cooperating Baptist church in our state contributing each month, through the Cooperative Program, a percentage of all it gives. I would strongly encourage churches to increase the percentage each year until there is an equitable division of funds between local and world needs.

A Spiritual Channel

By Rev. Gilmer E. Jolley, Pastor
Belle Fountain Church, Jackson County

The Cooperative Program is a spiritual channel through which our missionary dollars flow into every area of the world. The great church, the small church, the wealthy, and the poor can all contribute as God has proposed. This is a world-wide venture, it will take a cooperative effort to accomplish the job. My prayer is that every Baptist Church will strive to increase their Cooperative Program gifts next year.

An Answer To God's Love

By Rev. George F. Lee, Superintendent of Missions
Lawrence-Marion-Walthall Counties

For churches determined to do something constructive and positive about the needs of people in our world today, and for those committed to bear their crosses in a redemptive ministry to lost humanity, the Cooperative Program is an answer to the demand of God's love in our hearts to have a plan of action that is reasonable and effective.

A Great Storehouse . . .

By Rev. E. W. Holmes, Jr., Pastor, Ecru Church

God's guide for giving has always been a percentage. Since earliest days the tithe has been considered as belonging to the Lord. I believe tithing is the guide for Christians today. Why not a similar guide for churches?

I visualize the Cooperative Program as a great storehouse through which God channels his bounteous blessings into all the world.

With percentage giving as their guide, churches will keep the storehouse replenished. They will also know the joys of giving and the blessings of God.

"... prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts. . ."
Malachi 3:10.

Missionary Manpower

By Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Superintendent of Missions,
Hinds County Association

World Missions is the heart of God's redemptive plan. The church is God's agency for building His Kingdom. Lost men wait for the churches to share more unselfishly to meet world needs. A "church" that is not missionary may call itself a "church" but it cannot be a "New Testament Church." Our only hope of any frontal attack is for our churches to give more generously to missions. The Cooperative Program is our best means of matching missionary manpower with missionary churches. We urge our churches to give prayerful and deliberate consideration to increased missionary support.



It has been my privilege to study every major type of mission sending agency and I am convinced that not one compares with the SBC plan in efficiency and fruitfulness. This is to be attributed primarily to the Cooperative Program method of support. It is worthy our increased giving now.

Efficient, Fruitful Plan

By Rev. Curtis E. Ellis, Pastor, Endora Church

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Combined Effort Of Baptists

By Rev. James Turpe, Superintendent of Missions
Pamlico County Association

As we worship next Sunday there will be untold multitudes the world over who will not hear the gospel of Christ. Why? It may be that your church did not give to world missions through the Cooperative Program. What a blessing your church missed! The Cooperative Program is the combined effort of Southern Baptists to reach all men for Christ. Your church can have a vital part in this world mission effort by giving a percentage or a designated amount of your church income.

An Equitable Division

By Rev. James L. Harrell, Pastor, Monticello Church

I have before me the annual report of our church treasurer. It shows that \$8,920.19 was given through the Cooperative Program. This is the first full year of operation since we began using the Forward Program of Christian Stewardship. The above amount compares with \$6,000.00 which had been contributed as a fixed amount for several years.

How did we increase almost 50% to Cooperative Program in one year? Simple. When our budget planning committee started its work the first time we used the Forward Program it was decided that the Cooperative Program should be on a percentage basis and that the percentage should be increased 2% each year. To begin with the committee calculated that the amount that we had been given was 20.2%. The percentage in the new budget (the year just ended) was increased to 22.2%. Though the percentage increase was only 2%, with the increased budget, the Cooperative Program amount went up almost 50%.

In our budget this year the percentage for the Cooperative Program is 24.2%. Our church-adopted policy is to continue to increase this amount by 2% each year until we go as high as we possibly can. By following this method, our contributions to missions through the Cooperative Program increases or decreases with our church income. We heartily recommend to every church that the Cooperative Program amount be on a percentage basis and that that percentage be increased each year by at least 2% until there is an equitable division between local and world-wide causes.

Transfusion Of Life's Blood

By Dr. R. A. McLemore, President, Mississippi College

Much of the capital need of a college comes from private donors and from a variety of sources. Much of its operating cost is borne by the students and his parents in the form of tuition and fees. These sources provide the "body" of an institution but the Cooperative Program support is its "life's blood"—the oxygen-food-bearing vehicle which adds the plus of vigor and dynamic life.

When Cooperative Program support is strong and adequate the institutions flourish and do their assigned tasks of preparing tomorrow's Christian leaders effectively. When anemia sets in and support goes down the pernicious side effects are reflected in the schools and their products. To win the world we must have trained leaders. To have trained leaders we must provide adequately for their training. Support of the Cooperative Program is our God-given opportunity to do what needs to be done and what each one of us ought to do.

"Both . . . And"

By Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary,
Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

The command is clear—it isn't an "either . . . or" proposition but "ye shall be witnesses in Jerusalem AND" . . .

The Cooperative Program provides the "and" opportunity for each Christian. We are accountable as individuals and as churches. In the life of a church, as in the life of an individual, covetousness can limit our witness. Love determines the measure and extend of our witness channels through the Cooperative Program—your witness extended.

The Steady Heartbeat

By Lewis I. Myers, Jr.
Missionary to Vietnam

Many things open doors, and we on the mission field know that the door into these fields and other smaller doors open daily at the generous hands of Southern Baptists. Financial resources are high on the list of necessities in opening the doors of witness.

Lottie Moon Christmas offering time is an anxious time for missionaries because we see so many needs that can be fulfilled only through increased participation in this worthy season of prayer and offering. But whereas this offering is the 'blood transfusion' which helps missions around the world in the area of capital needs, the Cooperative Program is the steady heartbeat of financial resources which meets the needs of each day.

Plan Of Mission Support

By Rev. W. C. Gann, Superintendent of Missions,
Prentiss-Tishomingo Counties

If we, as Baptists and Baptist churches, have a mission in this world, it is that we may be missionary. As Dr. Carver says, "the historical origin of missions is found in the work, the life, the command of Jesus Christ projected in the lives of His followers."

Therefore, if the gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, which it is, then it behooves us as Mississippi Baptists to increase our support of the finest plan of mission support ever devised, the Cooperative Program, which is nothing more than a unified budget, through which every individual Baptist and Baptist church can share in proclaiming the gospel around the world.

Part Of Great Commission

By Rev. Caley R. Nichols, Pastor, Ethel Church

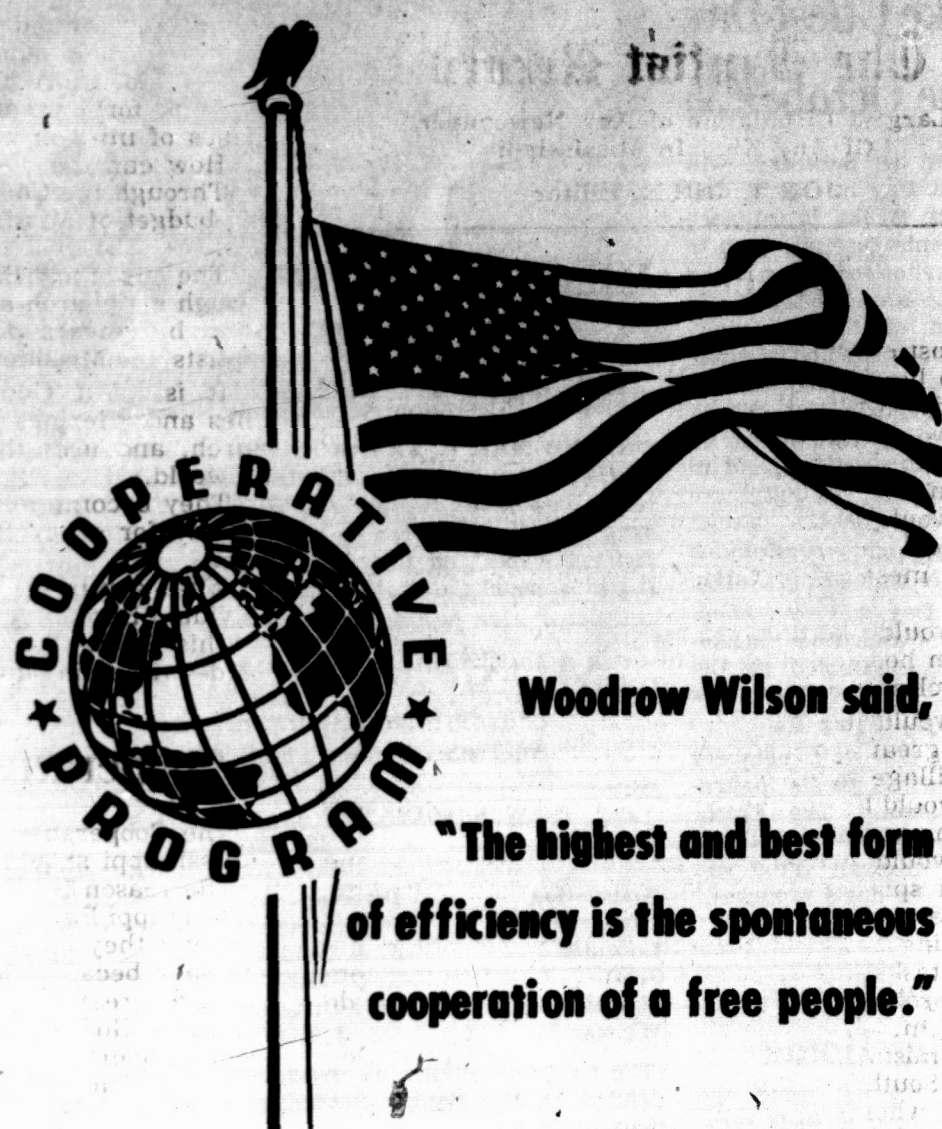
The Cooperative Program is a channel through which all Baptists can be a part of the Great Commission (read Romans 10:15a). It is God's plan for using His money to win the lost to Christ.

Mrs. C. D. Creasman in her book, STEWARDSHIP SCRAPBOOK, suggests the following song to the tune of "The More We Get Together."

The more we give to missions,
To missions, to missions,
The more we give to missions
The happier we'll be.

For your work is my work
And our work is God's work
The more we give to missions,
The happier we'll be.

This has been my experience as a pastor for 15 years. Churches that DO NOT include the Cooperative Program in their ministry can't be happy churches.



I Preached On The Cooperative Program

By Rev. James E. Parker
Mississippi College
Pastor, Hebron Church
Clay County

Little had I realized that our church membership was so uneducated regarding our Cooperative Program for missions. Recently, however, when there was spread in our area a rumor which stated that this program supported "civil rights" movements, and the National Council of Churches, such confusion and

concern arose that something had to be done.

During a Sunday evening worship period we presented a brief sketch of the history and areas of the work of the Cooperative Program, using a diagram showing the route and divisions of our church's cooperative dollar.

Information which I learned as a student in the class of "An Introduction to Baptist Work," at Mississippi College, proved invaluable to me on

this occasion. Also, the free tracts on this subject which I obtained from the state Baptist office were of great help.

I immediately sensed a cloud lifted, and disturbed hearts quieted, as the people gratefully thanked us for presenting the study. Already our offerings (and attendance) have shown a remarkable increase.

I challenge every Baptist pastor to fulfill this very important part of his duties, by teaching his people the work of their denomination. I am confident that real blessings will result—every time!

A Look Away From Self

By Rev. Bobby Burrell, Pastor, Iuka Church

Jesus said, "Look on the fields, for they are white already unto harvest" and He said, "Go ye into all the world." One of the greatest sins today is permitting Self to blot out our vision of the world and the commands of our Lord. God blesses us as we meet the conditions of fulfilling His commands and making a complete surrender to His will in our lives. May I have a personal illustration and testimony.

We voted to build a new \$150,000.00 sanctuary this past year and the next week we voted to increase our Cooperative Program gifts from 16 per cent to 18 per cent. We have over subscribed our budget by \$3,000.00 this year already. We had a record year in Sunday School, Training Union, and worship attendance. We are looking forward to increasing our gifts again this year. Our church is convinced that, if you want to build a great church, you must preach, teach, and give sacrificially to missions through the Cooperative Program. Won't you look away from Self this year?

A Tithe From The Church

By Rev. Charles L. Taylor, Pastor,
Friendship, McComb

Does every church in the Mississippi Baptist Convention give at least ten per cent of its income through the Cooperative Program? I have been amazed how some churches have a double standard for giving. They preach that all leaders and lay people should tithe, but the church itself cannot afford to tithe.

Sometimes churches take God's mission money to have elaborate facilities and are unconcerned about others who have never heard the Word of God. Let's all face the facts, are we judged by man or God? Do we look for comfort and the praise of man? We should want to hear Jesus say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Let's all give to world missions at least ten percent of our income.

A Kingly Privilege

By Dr. Bob Ramsay, Pastor, First Church, Brookhaven

To be a part of the fellowship of the New Testament churches of Mississippi is a kingly privilege, especially when we share increasingly in the responsibility of giving through the Cooperative Program to support our missionaries throughout the world. Individually we can do some good, but all of the members of all of our Baptist Churches pooling their efforts can so multiply them that our budget goal of \$3,240,000 will be reached. Thus the youngest member and the smallest church can have a part in something that is big and dynamic, state-wide world-wide, and worthy of Christ who gave the Great Commission. In view of the pungent needs of our world and a pleading Saviour, can you and I afford to do less than our best?

An Indispensable Arm

By Edgar H. Burks, Jr., Missionary to Nigeria

We assure you of our loyalty and support of the Cooperative Program. I now have seen it working from both sides of the fence: first as a pastor in the States in increased giving, and now here on the mission field where it stabilizes our mission work. It is an indispensable arm of Southern Baptist witness over the world.

Nigerians Plan

"Saturation"

Evangelism

Onitsha, Nigeria, a city of 100,000, will be the target of an intensive Baptist evangelistic campaign during the last two weeks in October.

Baptist work is new in Onitsha, where the two Baptist churches have a combined membership of only 150. Therefore, the Eastern Conference of the Nigerian Baptist Convention, sponsor of the evangelistic campaign, is planning a "saturation" program of house-to-house visitation aimed at reaching every family in the city.

Ninety pastors will go to Onitsha to assist local Baptists with visitation and to participate in open-air services in various neighborhoods. During the week of October 24-31 the pace will be stepped up, and special preaching services will be held nightly.

"Tremendous obstacles confront the Baptists of Eastern Nigeria in this endeavor, but they are convinced that God is able to overcome every difficulty," says Rev. Joseph B. Underwood, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's consultant in evangelism and church development, who has helped plan the campaign. "They are trying to enlist the prayer support of at least 10,000 Nigerian Baptists. Southern Baptists, also, are urged to pray for the evangelization of Onitsha."

Cooperative Program dollars help support 1,076 overseas Baptist schools where more than 170,536 students are enrolled.

Cooperative Program giving heals the wounds of the world—Southern Baptists operate 19 hospitals and 41 clinics on foreign mission fields.

Last year, Cooperative Program giving helped to support 920 missionaries serving the language groups in the United States, 153 in Cuba, and 119 in Panama.

In 1964, the Radio and Television Commission completed a total of 79,964 broadcasts with the aid of Cooperative Program dollars.

Clarke Guest Day To Be October 30

October 30, Saturday, will be Guest Day at Clarke College. For weeks in advance the students carefully plan to issue invitations to their friends to come and share in a period of campus fellowship, to enlist the aid of many former students in bringing or sending prospective students to their Alma Mater at this special occasion, and to make sure that the guests are made aware of the special advantages and opportunities that are to be found at Clarke.

Guest Day will be varied. Morning Watch and Singing are promoted by the BSU. Meals will be served in the College Dining Hall.

Faculty and staff members will guide the guests in academic planning. The Freshman Class will stage a talent show. A baseball game will conclude the day's program.

Sergeant Sends Sermons Home

Many churches send the Baptist Record to their servicemen overseas. S-Sgt. Edward C. Pearce, Jr. has reversed this situation. He read a sermon in the Baptist Record and requested extra copies to send home to his pastor, and to his family. His letter to the editor follows:

"I have just finished reading 'The Inevitable Encounter—Prepare to Meet God,' which was printed in your paper on Thursday, September 23, 1965.

"If it is possible I would like for you to send me ten copies of Dr. Dehoney's sermon, so I may send to members of my family and pastor.

"I would like to say I am more than ever convinced that we should all prepare to meet our God. . . . Sincerely, S-Sgt. Edward C. Pearce, Jr., USAF, 405 Trans. Sq. Box 250, APO San Francisco, California 96274."

Seminary Names News Director

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Wesley M. (Pat) Pattillo Jr., master of arts graduate of the school of journalism at Ohio State University, Columbus, has been appointed news director at Southern Seminary here.

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DR. AND MRS. B. FRANK SMITH, at right, are shown above receiving Rev. and Mrs. Charles Gordon at the annual Ministerial Association reception at William Carey College. Dr. and Mrs. Don Stewart were co-host with the Smiths at 135 ministerial students and their wives enjoyed the affair held each fall in honor of the Carey College ministerial family.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Dan C. Hall, Secretary

Miss Martha Gene Shutt, Office Secretary

NEW ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC DIRECTORS

1965-66

Association	Director	Superintendent of Missions
Lauderdale	Bob Hollifield	Leon B. Young
Lowndes	J. A. Ashley	Leon Emery
Scott	S. C. Doty	Holmes H. Carlisle
Sharkey-Issaquena	Carl Dunaway	
Winston	David Riley	W. B. Boatner

(The names of additional associational music directors will be printed in The Baptist Record as they are received in our department.)

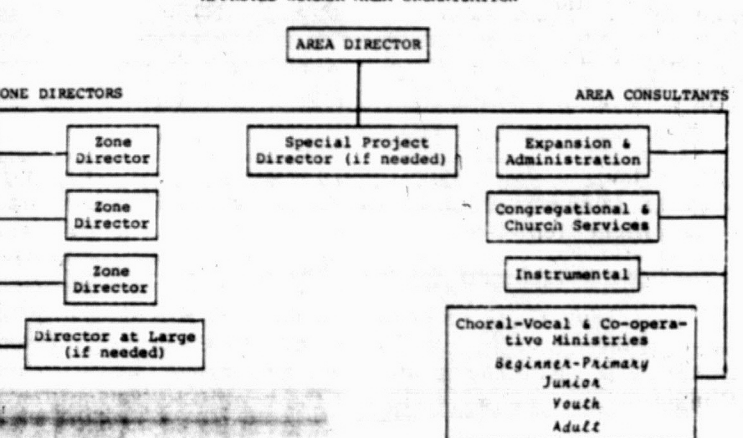
NEW STATE MUSIC COUNCIL (CONTINUED)

Two weeks ago, The Baptist Record carried information concerning the new State Music Council. Additional information is carried in this issue.

The Council will be assisting in three broad ways as follows: (1) assist in planning, conducting, and evaluating the 1965-66 state music program; (2) serve as Approved Workers for churches and associations; (3) assist with development of goals and long-range plans and programs through 1972.

The following organization is now established in each of the five geographical areas of Mississippi. The personnel of each organization make up the Council. The members of each organization also will serve as Approved Workers.

APPROVED WORKER AREA ORGANIZATION



BAPTIST Training UNION DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR
Kernis S. King

SECRETARIES
Mrs. Jasper Lipscomb
Miss Betty Lewis



ASSOCIATES
G. G. Pierce
Miss Evelyn George
Norman A. Rodgers
Bill Latham

Training Union Conventions 1965



PHILLIP T. CARD
Training Union Secretary
Colorado Baptist Convention
Denver, Colorado

- November 8
INDIANOLA
First Baptist Church
 - November 9
OXFORD
First Baptist Church
 - November 10
STARKVILLE
First Baptist Church
 - November 11
HATTIESBURG
Temple Baptist Church
 - November 12
BROOKHAVEN
First Baptist Church
- TIME: 9:30 to 2:30

CONFERENCE EMPHASES

Emphases for the Junior, Intermediate, Young People, Adult, and General Officers' Conferences will be . . . patterns of organization featuring the alternate organizations with principles for selection, . . . new church member orientation program and materials, . . . use of the church study course as a tool for training, . . . understanding curriculum materials, and . . . principles of unit selection. Emphases for the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Conferences will be in the area of understanding and using curriculum materials, and principles of effective and creative planning with and for children.

Associational Officers' Leadership Meeting

BROADMOOR BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON

October 26, 10:00 A.M. - 4:00

This is a meeting to which every elected associational officer is invited. Its purpose is to give specific training in the functions of each office in the association. A major consideration in the Training Union section will be methods of adapting the associational organization to the needs of current associational work.

I Am The Cooperative Program

By AUSTIN HENRY

I am the Cooperative Program.
I enter the homes of orphans, causing children to smile in pleased wonder at Baptist compassion.
I cause the suffering patient's tight hand to relax, and thus turn bright light on in his soul.
I cause the aged to rest secure and to laugh in the old, confident way.
I keep hope alive in the hearts of college students, and brighten their dreams with the magic of Christian learning.
I cause five thousand eager feet to climb dark trails on home and foreign fields, leaving behind hearts amazed at the goodness of God.
I cause the seminary student to make prayerful preparation to tell the love of Him who releases glad tears—tears which wash away the hard lines of sin.
I enter dark places through radio and television, reminding men of what Christ has done, and pointing out the way of eternal life.
I come to teach a better way, to encourage stewardship, to challenge the weak, to speak in eloquent gratitude of gracious love.
In a hundred ways I cause a tired world to look up into the face of God, and remember that life can be abundant.
I am the Cooperative Program!

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Bill Duncan

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS LEADERSHIP MEETING

October 26 Broadmoor Church, Jackson
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OFFICERS INVITED SPECIAL CONFERENCES LISTED BELOW

- 1. Cradle Roll —Mrs. J. B. Parker, Jackson
- 2. Nursery —Mrs. Ada Rutledge, Nashville
- 3. Beginner —Mrs. Harold St. Gemme, Jackson
- 4. Primary —Mrs. Norman O'Neal, Clinton
- 5. Junior —Mrs. A. A. Greene, Jackson
- 6. Intermediate —Ethel McKeithen, Hattiesburg
- 7. Young People —Mrs. Ann Alexander, Jackson
- 8. Adult —J. L. Pollard, Alexandria
- 9. Extension —Bill Hardy, Jackson
- 10. General Officers —Daryl Heath, Nashville

DR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER, BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, WILL SPEAK AT 10:00 A.M. TO ALL OFFICERS.

ALL ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS WILL RECEIVE MILEAGE IF YOU DRIVE OR BRING OTHER OFFICERS. YOUR NOON MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED AT 12:15 AT BROADMOOR CHURCH.



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Nashville
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Nashville
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J. L. Pollard
Alexandria
Adult

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University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg	
James Conrad Robertson	Nigeria Sept. 24
William Carey Baptist College, Hattiesburg	
Hilda Ann Halsell	Brazil Sept. 26
Mark L. Luper, 816 Johnson Ave.	Brazil Nov. 15
Mary Jean McNealy, Box 866	Brazil Sept. 12

Baptist Seamen's Service

Woman's Missionary Union
Miss. Baptist Convention
Box 530
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Christian Friends:

It is with full hearts that this letter is written to you as a group of women working for our Saviour. First we want to say Thank You for the Bibles and Scripture portions in various languages which you supplied us from your WMU Camp mission offering. Our Seamen's work is new, the first of its kind, and it is people like you that keep it going. Through witness to these seamen from all countries we are able to take the Gospel into places that cannot be reached by our missionaries at this time . . . even behind the iron curtain. The seamen are the most responsive and appreciative group with which we have ever worked and through this ministry many of them hear of Christ for the first time. Please continue to pray for

this ministry here in the port of New Orleans.

Also let us speak a personal word of appreciation to the people of Mississippi, who so readily and willingly gave of themselves and their material possessions during the recent hurricane. We personally had very little damage to our home and no personal loss. However we were able to help in a small way to distribute the clothing and food to the disaster area and to see the thankfulness on the faces of those who received it. Our city is still in much turmoil and distress but much progress is being made to restore it to normal. The thoughtfulness of our sister states meant much to us at this time, especially Mississippi since that is our home state.

May God continue to bless you in your great work there. Rev. John P. Vandercook, Director
New Orleans Baptist Seamen's Service
2610 Drexel Avenue
New Orleans, La. 70122

BILOXI MEN AND BOYS CAMP AT MAGNOLIA STATE PARK

The combination Brotherhood fish fry and Royal Ambassador campout held on October 1, at the Magnolia State Park, Ocean Springs, by Emmanuel Church, Biloxi, was a huge success. Over sixty men and boys enjoyed the fellowship, song, and inspiring messages brought by the pastor, Rev. Justus L. Garrett, and guest speakers, Rev. Hugh Martin, Gulfport Heights Church of Gulfport and Rev. Lynn Scales, Supt. of the Gulf Coast Rescue Mission, Biloxi.

The Brotherhood president, James Royal, introduced the Royal Ambassador leader, Keith M. Bischoff, who reported to the Brotherhood on the progress of the newly initiated Royal Ambassador program of the church.

The evening fellowship included the singing of favorite songs, accompanied by Emmanuel's minister of music, Alon Colletti, and Mr. Martin on the accordion and Steve Garrett and Sam Lewis on the cornet and guitar respectively.

Over thirty boys and a dozen men spent the night in the park following the evening program. On Saturday, October 2, the boys received instruction in camping and hiking skills which will lead

them well up the "Hiker Trail" to meet requirements for the Hiker badge.

Bischoff reported that three Royal Ambassador Crusader chapters had been formed in the church and that a majority of the twenty-five boys participating have met most of the requirements for their "Lad" pin.

The Royal Ambassador counselor is Harry Annis.

F. R. Causey Dies At Liberty

Frank Robert Causey, 72, former Amite County official, died Monday, Oct. 4, at Field Memorial Hospital in Centerville, following a brief illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 5, from Liberty Church. Rev. B. T. Bishop, Sr. interim pastor, officiated.

Mr. Causey, a veteran of World War I, was minister of music at Liberty Church, which he also served as a deacon.

He was widely known as a singer and leader of singing. He served as Amite County's circuit clerk many years ago, but most of his life was spent on his farm about three miles west of Liberty.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ida Butler Causey, Liberty; three daughters, Mrs. Nell Williams, Gulfport, Mrs. Glenna Causey, Alexandria, La., and Mrs. Mildred Campbell, Liberty; three sons, Victor Causey, Baton Rouge, La., Rev. John Milton Causey, pastor of Denham Springs Church, (La.) and Wendell Causey, Natchez; two sisters; two brothers; 21 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Interment was in Liberty Cemetery.

Star Adults Enjoy Shrimp- Chicken Supper

On Saturday, October 9, the Adult Department of Star Church enjoyed a Fellowship Supper, featuring shrimp and chicken. The supper was in the home of Dan Brinson and his mother, Mrs. Ruby Brinson.

Those present included Rev. and Mrs. Vance Dyess (pastor and wife) and 45 others.

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Caleb: Facing The Difficult

By Clifton J. Allen

Numbers 13:1 to 14:38

Joshua 14:6-15

Joshua 15:13-19

Men of faith undertake seemingly impossible tasks. Caleb, about whom we are to study, is one of the striking examples. We meet him first at Kadesh-barnea when the Israelites came to the border of the Promised Land. We meet him forty-five years later when he asked that the hill country of Hebron be given to him as his inheritance. Caleb possessed the faith and courage to undertake a difficult task and, with the help of the Lord, drove out the children of Anak and claimed for his family the inheritance promised to him by Moses.

The Lesson Explained
FAITH FOR CONQUEST
(Num. 13:30-32)

The Israelites, having been delivered from bondage in Egypt, came to Kadesh-barnea. Caleb was one of twelve men chosen to spy out the land of Canaan. Caleb and Joshua were enthusiastic about the prospect and encouraged immediate conquest. The other ten spies remembered the walled cities, the giantlike people, and the warlike character of the inhabitants. Caleb's declaration, "We are well able to overcome it," was based on his faith in God. He knew that the cities were fortified and that the people were strong. But he believed that successful conquest was possible through the blessing of God: "If the Lord delights in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it to us."

Ten spies were paralyzed by fear. They thought of themselves and the Israelites as grasshoppers; they saw the dangers and difficulties and forgot about God. The difference between Caleb and the ten spies was: "We are well able" and "We are not able." There was a world of difference between them! The congregation of the Israelites quickly turned into a panic-stricken mob. Along with their cowardice, they tried to blame Moses and Aaron and rebelled against their leadership. God passed the sentence of judgment on that generation—they would wander and die in the wilderness; Caleb and Joshua alone would be spared to enter the land of Canaan.

FIDELITY TO THE LORD
(Josh. 14:6-9)

Caleb's faith in God made him faithful to the Lord. Forty-five years passed. The land of Canaan was now being assigned to tribes and to families. Thus it was that Caleb came to Joshua and made his request that the promise made to him by Moses be fulfilled.

Through the years Caleb had faithfully followed the Lord. That is, he had maintained the integrity of his faith; he had kept alive the vision of conquest; he had not been rebellious with unbelief. It was on this basis that God had preserved his strength and filled his heart with an

unwavering purpose to follow and to do the will of the Lord. Caleb's testimony to his fidelity was not a boast but a conscientious declaration of purpose and devotion.

COURAGE FOR A
DIFFICULT TASK
(Josh. 14:10-12)

The initial stages of the conquest had established the Israelites in Canaan, but in no sense had the pagan tribes driven out. Each of the tribes of Israel was expected to complete the conquest by possessing him, Caleb declared his continuing vigor and strength. He declared, "I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me." Disciplined living and faith in God prepared him for a bold request: "Give me this mountain." The hill country of Hebron was in some ways the most difficult portion fortified. Its inhabitants were the mighty sons of Anak. But Caleb's courage, based on his faith, made him willing to undertake a daring adventure. Caleb's request was granted, and Hebron became his inheritance. The secret of his achievement was, "He wholly followed the Lord."

Truths to Live By

Courage is born of faith.—The courage of Caleb was not simply reckless daring. Neither was it indifference to physical danger. It sprang from his faith in God. He saw God as the supreme factor in the situation. It is this kind of faith which equips persons to face the difficult responsibilities of parenthood, of citizenship, of Christian service, of political leadership, of social justice, and of helping some individual in a personal crisis. If our trust is in God,



TEN YEARS OF SERVICE— The close of August marked the tenth year of Sunday school attendance, without an absence, for Judy Reynolds of Evergreen Church, Wayne County. Judy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reynolds, is a life long attendee of Evergreen and has been an active member of that church since the age of nine. She has served as youth council member, Sunday school teacher, V.B.S. worker, and as pianist. Rev. Ralph Jones, pastor, is shown presenting the ten-year perfect attendance pin.

we can face the hardest task, the severest trial, and the greatest opportunity with unflinching courage.

Difficult situations challenge courageous persons.—The timid and weak and skeptical and cowardly respond to life's hard tasks by saying, "We are not able." The strong and adventurous and determined and trustful persons respond to the hard tasks of life by saying, "We can." What response will Christians make?

Our nation faces a land of promise.—God has given to our nation a chance to give moral leadership and material assistance to a world in need. People generally seem to be frightened by this world responsibility; they are too much concerned to worship the gods of lust and pleasure rather than struggle with intelligence and self-denial and goodwill to claim the promised land of a new era of freedom and justice for all the peoples of the earth. If our nation betrays the trust given by God, it will suffer the judgment of God and lose the heritage in the promised land of divine opportunity and mission.

Off The
Record

The sorority girl had just received an engagement ring, and wore it down to breakfast the next morning. To her exasperation, no one noticed it.

After fuming and squirming throughout the meal, there was a lull in the conversation and she exclaimed loudly, "My goodness, it's warm in here, I think I'll take off my ring."

A car screeched to a halt at an intersection, barely missing a white-haired old lady. But instead of giving the driver a tongue-lashing, she recovered herself quickly, smiled sweetly and pointed to a pair of baby shoes dangling from his rear-view mirror. "Young man," she asked, "why don't you put your shoes back on?"

Farmer: Do you see that wood pile out there?
Hobo: Uh-huh, I guess so.
Farmer: Well, I want you to saw it.
Hobo: Mister, you saw me see it, but, you sure aren't gonna see me saw it!

Churches
In The News

Benton Church, Yazoo County, held an ordination service October 3, at 2:30 P. M. in which William B. (Bill) Hearst was ordained as a deacon. Rev. Harry F. Jones, pastor of the Benton Church delivered the ordination sermon.

Calvary Church, Yazoo City, recently ordained Arthur Dozier and Billy Neely to the office of deacon. Rev. Eugene Dobbs is pastor.

First Church, Summit, observed the annual Leadership Banquet on October 7. Eighty-five attended. Dr. Bob Ramsey gave an account of his recent missions tour of England, Scotland, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Moscow, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Germany. Rev. Odean W. Puckett is pastor.

Mt. Zion Church in Rankin County has just completed the best year in its history, according to a recent report. With 84 members, the congregation exceeded its \$7200 budget by \$1200. They have bought a parsonage which they are now remodeling. During the year 12 members have been added on profession of faith, for baptism, and three by letter. On October 10, perfect attendance pins were awarded nine persons. Rev. Kenneth Pickens, who has not missed a Sunday since he became pastor there, received a seven-year pin. Steve Tucker, who has not missed a Sunday since the church was organized in 1960, received a six-year pin. (Other pins went to those with records under five years.)

Sunday
ReportsSunday School Attendance
Training Union Attendance
Additions To The Church

OCTOBER 17, 1965

Bethel (Cophah)	106	83
Booneville, 1st	398	141
Main	341	112
Crestwood	280	49
Biloxi, Emmanuel	280	112
Brandon, 1st	421	199
Brookhaven, 1st	887	244
Bruce, 1st	389	154
Calhoun City, 1st	315	150
Canton Center Terrace	315	139
Clinton, Morrison Hgts.	411	205
Concord (Nobles)	57	37
Crystal Springs, 1st	561	172
Forest	407	136
Florence, 1st	306	128
Grenada, 1st	616	199
Goodwater (Simpson)	171	97
Gulfport, 1st	895	280
Hattiesburg	406	119
Hattiesburg:		
38th Avenue	302	152
Central	320	177
Main Street	926	292
Main	917	386
North Main	68	9
First	683	270
Beacon	46	42
Houston, 1st	366	156
Jackson:		
First	1443	351
Raymond Road	122	85
West Jackson	482	211
Midway	446	191
Woodville Heights	218	113
Crestwood	341	175
Highland	396	191
Robinson Street	344	151
Alta Woods	1089	423
McDowell Road	260	169
Oak Forest	396	154
Ridgcrest	832	313
Hillcrest	449	259
Broadmoor	1553	582
McLaurin Heights	308	161
Lakeview Mission	15	15
Magnolia Park	75	60
Daniel	821	217
Parkway	1036	438
Van Winkle	614	310
Briarwood Drive	309	149
Southside	330	149
Colonial Heights	300	140
Laurel:		
Highland	463	178
First	204	115
First	491	160
Magnolia St.	477	254
Wicks	362	178
Bethlehem	199	122
Trinity	174	106
Lexington, 1st	250	125
Roundway Mission	17	18
Macon, 1st	187	77
McCombs	243	118
Navilla	245	77
South	214	111
Locust St.	81	46
Mountain Creek (Rankin)		
New Albany,	165	82
Northside	363	178
Pearl	202	100
Pearson	101	56
Peachontas	246	87
Pontotoc, West Hgts.	177	120
Raleigh, 1st	280	121
Rocky Creek (George)	145	81
Rosedale, 1st	62	42
Ruth	73	39
Sardis	121	48
Springfield (Scott)	185	89
Star	1177	468
Starkville, 1st	173	115
Sunshine (Rankin)	514	193
Tupelo, 1st		
Vicksburg	445	226
Bowmar Avenue	190	123
Vicksburg, Trinity	815	217
West Point, 1st	294	125
Biloxi, Emmanuel	300	115
Canton, Center Terrace	886	352
Hattiesburg, Main St.	884	344
Main	12	71
North Main	12	71
Ingomar	63	40
Sardis (Cophah)		

Revival Dates

Hattiesburg, Beacon Church: October 19-24; Rev. James Parker, Calvert, Alabama, evangelist; Mrs. D. C. Ware, pianist; William Moore, Jr., in charge of music; Rev. John L. Wardle, pastor.

Jordan Missionary
Calls For Helpers

Last year the Baptist clinic in Taybeh, Jordan, was closed because of the shortage of medical personnel. Now, reports Rev. Paul S. C. Smith, Southern Baptist missionary, the shortage of preachers may force the closing of the little Baptist church in Taybeh, which has been struggling along without a pastor for three years.

Another Jordanian church, he says, was recently left pastorless when its minister resigned to study in the States.

"In Amman, the capital, where 300,000 people live, we could open work in at least four places," Mr. Smith continues. "Seldom does a week go by without requests to begin holding services in other cities — Zarqa, Madaba, Mafraq. But our hands are tied by the lack of preachers."

"In the land where the prophet Isaiah heard the Lord ask, 'Who will go for us?' that call still rings out."

"How can you help this situation? First, pray daily for more God-called men—Arab and American—to serve him in Jordan. Second, help educate Arab preachers by contributing to the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering."

"Third, if you believe God is saying to you, 'Whom shall I send to the Arab world?' don't hesitate to answer, 'Here am I; send me.'"

Our goal should be to make ourselves available to be mobilized by the Holy Spirit to achieve his objectives. It is possible, entirely possible, that the Holy Spirit might be going to lead us into some paths where we have not before walked.—From report of a work group on mobilization of spiritual resources

Southern Baptist publishing houses in 1963 printed a total of 196,193 Bibles and 12,767,735 pieces of material with Cooperative Program dollars.



FINE ARTS—These students helped in the opening of the new Fine Arts Audio Visual Center at Mississippi College on Thursday. Janet Martindale (left) of Pope receives a record from Tommy Dunlap, Natchez, while Carol Reid, Lula, and Dennis McIntire, Clinton, look on. The center is equipped with books, scores, recording, projectors, stereos, tape recorders and other equipment necessary to a good instructional program. (M. C. PHOTO)

Audio-Visual Center Gets Face-Lifting

The faculty and students of Mississippi College attended an "open house" Wednesday, Oct. 6, in the Division of Fine Arts Audio-Visual Center located in Aven Hall.

The center has just undergone an extensive face-lifting job under the supervision of Miss Patricia Walston, instructor in music.

One of the most popular rooms in the Fine Arts division, the specially equipped music library houses books, scores, recordings, on art and music education, and projectors, stereos, tape recorders and other equipment necessary to a good instructional program.

Students working in the center include Miriam Duck, Clinton; Lonnie Smith, Westson; Dwight Kemp, Shubuta; Dennis McIntire, Clinton; Virginia Abel, Jackson; Ellen McNutt, Coldwater; Roger Ezell, Clinton; Neal Rawls, Miami, Fla.; and Tad Evatt, Clinton.

550 Students
Attend First
College Session

CHARLESTON, S. C. (BP)—A class of 550 students and the new Baptist College at Charleston began their first year of college together this September.

The new Baptist school, which plans to add a class level a year until it becomes a senior college, enrolled 350 in regular class sessions and 200 more in night course. It is using a temporary location while its campus is developed.

It is the fourth educational institution operated by the South Carolina Baptist Convention. The others are Furman University at Greenville, Anderson College in the City of Anderson and North Greenville Junior College at Tigerville.

Presidents of the three sister Baptist colleges joined Charleston president John A. Hamrick, 49, in ceremonies launching construction on the campus, located on 500 acres at the junction of Interstate 26 and U. S. Highway 78 about 10 miles north of downtown Charleston.

At the ceremonies, the officials broke ground for three buildings on the campus. Contracts totaling \$1,600,000 provide for construction of a classroom building, science-administration building and gymnasium.

Horace G. Hammett, Columbia, general secretary of the sponsoring Baptist Convention, and Robert W. Major, Charleston, convention president, had roles in the groundbreaking. Principal speaker for the occasion was D. J. Houghton, president of Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Burbank, Calif.

The new college was chartered first as the Baptist College of Lower South Carolina. Later, however, a new charter was secured with the title Baptist College at Charleston. The South Carolina Baptist Convention at its 1964 session accepted operation of the new college.



JEWISH EVANGELISM WORKSHOP—Reading from left to right: Patrick H. Hill, Visiting Professor of Missions, Millard J. Berquist, President and John C. Howell, Professor of Christian Ethics, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary discussing plans for Jewish Evangelism Workshop November 8 through 10. The workshop will be at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri. (Home Board Photo)



SHOWN ABOVE receiving her 9-year perfect attendance pin is Mrs. H. G. Furr of the Arcola Church. Mrs. Furr is a teacher in the primary department of the Sunday school. The pin is being presented by her pastor, Rev. Glynn R. Wiggins.

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WHAT DO MISSIONARIES DO?

By H. Jerold Palmer, Jr.
Missionary to Nigeria

Where but on the mission field could you...
...plaster a church that is falling down?
...tune a piano?
...cut a head of hair?
...overhaul a diesel?
...hold a light for the doctor to operate?
...wade hip-deep water to get to a submerged, one-log footbridge and then cross with your son on your shoulders?
...teach music to people who have just left paganism and become Christians?
...help a pastor fertilize a field of corn where he would not have made any thing grow and see the corn change colors?
...give a piece of ice to an old man who had never had one and see him smile?
...ride a bicycle over a busy path with a sack of cement on the back?
...stall a tractor on an anthill?
...drown out an old car crossing a stretch of water over the road?
...see a whole city fasting and praying for rain?
...hear pagans at worship on rocks in front of your home?
...see a man try to sell jujus after playing with two live cobras?
Boy! You see I'm having a good time. I have never been happier in my life; I have never felt any more in the center of God's will than now.

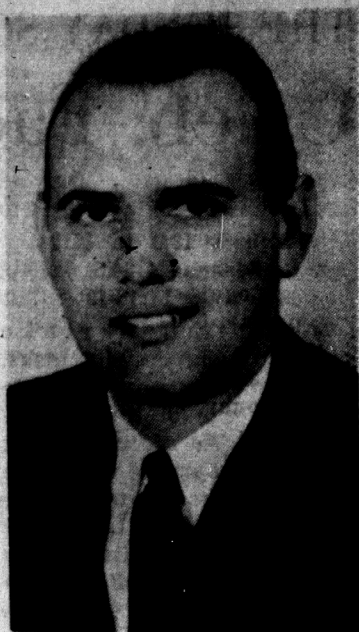
DEVOTIONAL—

The Handiwork Of God

By REV. PAUL HARWOOD, PASTOR, LYON
"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork."—Psalm 19:1
October is a month of glorious color. We look toward the fields and woods and see the reds, golds, oranges, and yellows of autumn intermingled with the usual greens and browns, grays and blacks. Surely it is enough to stir every artist with desire to capture the glory on canvas. Surely, too, it is enough to stir everyone of us to worship the Creator, for this is His handiwork.



Throughout the universe the handiwork of God is shown. The movement and order of the heavenly systems is indicative of His intelligence. The falling of the sap in the tree to protect it with dormancy during the winter and its awakening to life in the spring are evidence of His planning and protection. The dependability of chemical relations and reactions are grounded in His stability.
The human body is something to think about. It is marvelous in its makeup with every part having its function. Yet it can lose the function of parts and remarkably continue to go. God's handiwork is in evidence. Even man's mind, that yet mysteriously functioning part of him, that even sometimes God-denying part of him, attests that man is 'made' by Divine architecture.
The handiwork of a benevolent God is noted in things working together for good. We look for illustration in the combined process of decay, scavenger life, and dilution to decontaminate our environment of harmful waste and putridness. We look for illustration in the process in which some life takes in oxygen and gives off carbon dioxide while other life takes in carbon dioxide and gives off oxygen.
We could go on and on. The firmament all around us shows God's handiwork. See and worship.



JERRY GOOCH, member of First Church, New Albany, Rev. W. F. Evans, pastor, has surrendered to the gospel ministry, and plans to enroll at Southern Seminary in January. After graduating from Mississippi College he did graduate work at the University of Mississippi. At present, he is Boy Scout Executive for the Yocoma Area Council. (He has preached several times at First Church.) His wife is the former Mary Ann Spencer of Greenville. Mr. Gooch is available for supply preaching (phone 534-7947 New Albany).

THREE FROM COMO have received awards for above five years perfect attendance in Sunday school: Mrs. Lois Still, Miss Mildred Caldwell, and Frank Barnett. They are among the group pictured above. Front row, l to r: Mrs. Lois Still (11 years); Miss Mildred Caldwell (7 years); and Mrs. W. H. Busby (three years); back row, l to r: Floyd Taylor (two years); Frank Barnett (six years) and W. H. Busby (three years). Rev. James Ruffin is pastor.

Names In The News

Dr. F. K. Horton, pastor of Oakhurst Church, Clarksdale, was the guest speaker recently for the Founder's Day program at New Orleans Seminary. This program is held annually to commemorate the founding of the seminary in 1918. Dr. Horton, a graduate of Louisiana College at Pineville, was one of the first students to receive the Doctor of Theology degree from the institution, in 1932. He has been in his present post for 21 years.

Mrs. Harry F. Jones, Doyle and Shirley Jones, members of Benton Church, Yazoo County, have recently completed six years of perfect attendance in Sunday school. Doyle has missed only one Sunday in seven years and that was due to a death in the family. Rev. Harry F. Jones is pastor of Benton Church.

Rev. Eugene H. Dobbs, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Yazoo City, is guest evangelist for a revival effort in the First Southern Baptist

Church, Great Falls, Montana, October 18-24. Rev. Lewis E. Dawson is pastor there.



TO CLIMAX Sunday School Preparation Week, the Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian, held a Thrust Three to Thrive Banquet October 7. Highlight of the evening was the honoring of Lamar McDonald, Jr. who has accepted another position of service, after serving as Sunday school superintendent for eight years. Mr. McDonald is pictured here with his wife, Betty, also a Sunday school worker, receiving a silver tray from the church, expressing the church's gratitude for their service. Rev. Harold E. O'Chester, pastor, at left, served as master of ceremonies. Rev. Bob Marsh was featured speaker.

Record Album Offers Discussion Starters For Proclamation Studies

NASHVILLE — "Witness Unto Christ," an album of three records, offers discussion starters for units on

proclamation and witness which adult and young people's training unions will study in November and December.

The records will contain information on proclamation and witness (the 1965-66 denominational emphasis), five case studies for evaluation and example, and addresses by Dr. W. L. Howse, education division director, Sunday School Board, and Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, past president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Use of this record album is written into the plans for each of the eight-session units, found in fourth quarter issues of "Baptist Adults," "Baptist Young Adults," "Training Union Quarterly Simplified," "Baptist Young People" and "Baptist Married Young People." Total playing time of the 7-inch (33 1/3 RPM) records is 33 minutes.



MILLIONTH VISITOR SEES GRAHAM FILM AT WORLD'S FAIR—NEW YORK—Mr. and Mrs. Neil Clevidence and their two children from Edwardsburg, Mich., receive a silver medallion for being the millionth visitors to see "Man in the Fifth Dimension," the evangelistic film shown at the Billy Graham Pavilion at the New York World's Fair. Making the presentation is Dan Platt, pavilion director. Visitors at the pavilion totaled 5,000,000 from 135 nations. Many decisions for Christ were recorded as a result of the film. The sound track was in seven languages and nearly 50 countries were represented among those who made decisions.



THE ANNUAL prayer-mate service on the William Carey College campus, sponsored by the BSU, was held on Monday night, October 4. Shown above taking part in the presentation and receiving of sealed prayer requests are Linda Lawson, Ann Henderson, Lonnie Earnest, and Wayne Dubose. This is an annual occasion on Carey campus when students select prayer partners for the year.

New Sacred Records

REACHING UP-INSIGHTS FROM MASTER CONTROL (Christian Home Music-Radio and Television Commission SBC)

A selection of 14 of the brief gospel messages which are heard on the Master Control Radio program each week. These messages present the truth of the gospel in remarkable brevity. The speakers are John W. Drakeford, W. Morris Ford, Charles E. Meyers, W. R. Pettigrew and Foy Valentine. Organ background music is presented by Loeen Bushman, organist for the Baptist Hour.

BILLY SUNDAY (Word W-3267-LP)

Sound track from the remarkable motion picture of the great evangelist who led America to hit the "sawdust trail" in the early third of this century. Homer Rodeheaver, song leader for Sunday for 20 years is heard dramatically recalling key events in Sunday's ministry. Bill Sunday's voice is heard as he preached. One of Billy's converts tells his story. Others share in presenting the life and ministry in a record

that will become a treasured possession of those who love old time evangelism.

TWO SERMONS BY OSWALD J. SMITH (Word-W-6106-LP)

Another in the Great Sermon Series presented by Word Records. Oswald Smith is a Presbyterian minister, and pastor of The People's Church, Toronto, one of the greatest missionary churches in the world. The two sermons are The Supreme Tasks of the Church and How God Called Me To A World Wide Ministry. These are stirring and challenging missionary sermons.

EVERYBODY'S FAVORITES ON THE HAMMOND by Les Barnett (Sword S-1413-LP)

Les Barnett, an artist with unusual virtuosity at the organ, died in 1959. Twenty of his finest numbers included in this album, will keep his brilliant career alive. These are old numbers such as Shall We Gather At The River, Though Your Sins Be As Scarlet, The Church in the Wilderness, The Church's One Foundation, Amazing Grace, Great Is Thy Faithfulness and Is Your All On The Altar.



Pocahontas To Dedicate Annex

Formal dedication of the new educational annex of Pocahontas Church in Hinds County will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, October 24, with open house until 5 p.m.

Also to be observed during the day's activities will be the 90th anniversary of the founding of the church which, as Mt. Pisgah Church, joined the old Central Association in October, 1875. Copies of a printed history of the 90 year-old-body will be made available to members and friends during the open house observance Sunday.

The history was prepared by the Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission from minutes of the association preserved by the Commission. Pictures of the

church, which was rebuilt in 1961, accompany the historical record.

Sunday's activities will be presided over by Rev. Wilbur Irwin, pastor. Rev. J. Clark Hensley, Hinds county missionary, will bring the sermon of dedication.

In 1961, the congregation moved from a small 85-year-old frame church house in the community of Pocahontas on U. S. Highway 49 north back to the site of the church's founding near the intersection of U. S. 49 north and Kickapoo Road. Membership has tripled in the past four years.

Dimensions of the new educational facility are 100' x 35'. Architect was Dean and Purcell and the builder was Rev. Rudy Paine.



KENNETH McDAVID is new minister of music at First Church, Yazoo City. Rev. Dick Bragg, pastor, is a student at University of Southern Mississippi, and served for the past fifteen months at Wildwood Church, Laurel. Later he plans to study at New Orleans Seminary. Having assumed his new duties on October 3, Mr. McDavid resides at 1115 Second Avenue, Laurel.

Mississippian's Book Receives Recognition Outside U.S.A.

Broadman Press has informed Rev. John Warren Steen that his book, *Conquering Inner Space*, has been selected for study in Canada next year. The Baptist literature department of the Woman's Missionary Society, Toronto, has ordered seven hundred copies for distribution.

Conquering Inner Space

Dick Hall Jr. Joins Atlanta College

ATLANTA (BP) — Dick Houston Hall Jr. has resigned after 25 years as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Decatur, Ga., to become vice-president for development for the proposed Atlanta Baptist College.

The change will officially be effective Jan. 1, but Dr. Hall will assume some of the college duties earlier. The church was expected to elect him pastor emeritus.

was one of the early books released through the Broadman Readers Plan. The author wrote it in response to needs he met as a hospital chaplain, a student worker, and as a pastor. In the book he tries to offer some practical resources for creative Christian adjustment to the pressures of space age living.

Mr. Steen is the pastor of the First Church, Clayton, North Carolina. He is a native of Jackson, Mississippi.

The United Bible Societies reported in London that the entire Bible now exists in 236 languages, and is directly accessible to more than 90 percent of the world's population.

Many hundreds of the 11,000 Rexall druggists have added this sign to their magazine displays: "If you find objectionable magazines on our hands, notify me; and we will remove them."



JAMES NORLAND JELFCOAT, JR., was licensed to the gospel ministry on October 16, by First Church, Soso, Rev. Dick Bogan, pastor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Norland Jelfcoat, Sr., of Soso, and is a freshman at Jones County Junior College, Ellisville. He spoke in morning worship hour at Soso, First Church, October 17.

Revival Dates

Wildwood Church, Laurel: October 31—November 5; Dr. Jerry Lee, First Church, Jennings, Louisiana, evangelist; Lewis Harrington, Wildwood Church, Laurel, singer; Rev. Jackie C. Hamilton, pastor.

Hattiesburg, 38th Avenue: October 24-31, Rev. Dick Braswell, evangelist; Alon Colletti, minister of music; Rev. V. C. Windham, pastor.

First Church, Yazoo City: October 24-31; services daily at 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Dr. Paul Stevens, director of Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, Fort Worth, Texas, evangelist; Bill Cannady, minister of music and youth activities at the church, in charge of music; Rev. James F. Yates, pastor.



WESTWOOD CHURCH, Meridian has achieved Standard recognition in Sunday school during 1964-65. On the same date that the standard was unveiled to the church it was also announced that the Sunday school enrollment had even doubled in 21 months, from January 5, 1964 through September 24, 1965. During the same period of time the monthly average attendance has grown from 110 to 241; and of 72 persons uniting with the church on profession of faith during the same period, 53 were already enrolled in Sunday School. Sunday school enrollment exceeds the resident membership of 223 by 25! Displaying the banner, from left: Rev. Wendell A. Gilmore, pastor, and Varnell Warren, general Sunday school superintendent.